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Enthusiasm for Convention and New Building

Potential Working Membership on Attaining Objectives of the Current Year's Program

From Thursday's Daily—Enthusiasm for "putting over" the program of the "big year" in local American Legion history was not lacking at last night's post meeting. A goodly turnout of the members was present and entered wholeheartedly into the discussion of plans for entertaining the district convention in Plattsmouth, May 20, as well as the winding up of the building fund campaign and the presentation of the Legion radio program from WOAW, Omaha, the latter part of April. The entertaining of the district convention will be no small task and it is estimated will involve an expenditure of around \$450. In this, the post is expected to be given assistance by the Ad Club and Chamber of Commerce. The various committees made tentative reports on the cost of their proposed activities and an idea was gained of the day's program that will include a parade, the corner-stone laying ceremonies of our new community auditorium, sports and other afternoon entertainment, the big feed at 6 o'clock, followed by the district business session and dancing. Visiting Legionnaires will be given identification buttons on their arrival, and these will serve as their pass to all the day's festivities. The corner-stone laying ceremonies will be in charge of the Building committee, and it is probably Department Commander Kinder will be here to participate in this as well as the other activities of the day. A check-up was made of available Legion talent for the radio program, and a very satisfactory list obtained, from which will be selected those to appear on the program.

Erection of the community building, most important of the Legion's numerous 1926 objectives, was touched upon and reports from outside the post indicated fully as great or even greater interest in the success of this project as among Legionnaires themselves. At the close of the business portion of the meeting, a buffet luncheon was served, including the celebrated Tricolored coffee for which Comrade Henry Soennichsen has become so justly famous, and generous helpings of sandwiches and cake, prepared thru courtesy of Mrs. Tom Walling, wife of the Post Commander.

Following the luncheon, a period was devoted to reminiscences of the old days, an increasingly popular feature at Legion meetings as the war becomes more and more removed in point of time, and it was a late hour for some of the married men in the crowd, when the meeting finally broke up.

ACCOUNT OF WEDDING OF MISS ESTELLE TRITSCH

The many local friends of Miss Estelle Tritsch, of Santa Ana, who was employed for some time at Watson's drug store, will be interested in the announcement of her marriage yesterday in Riverside to Vernon Nolin of Huntington Beach. The bride's charming brunette beauty was greatly enhanced with a smart frock of apricot canton crepe with harmonizing accessories which she chose for her wedding attire. The young couple will make their home in Huntington Beach to where the groom is employed by the Shell Oil company.—Orange (Cal.) Daily News.

Miss Tritsch is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Tritsch, a graduate of the Plattsmouth High school, in the class of 1921.

HOLD PLEASANT MEETING

From Friday's Daily—The Business and Professional Woman's club met at the home of Miss Anna E. Leach on Tuesday evening. All but two members were present to answer to roll call. Important business was before the club which took up the greater part of the evening. The members are looking forward with no small pride to moving into their permanent club rooms in the near future. The meeting nights have been changed from the first and third Tuesdays to the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. At the close of the business sessions the members adjourned to Mrs. Stewart's apartment where music and light refreshments were the social diversion.

SHERIFF STEWART ILL

From Friday's Daily—Sheriff E. P. Stewart has been having a siege with the grippe and cold for the past few days and this morning was confined to his home as the result of the illness, the cold having settled in his eye and causing intense pain and suffering to the patient and making it necessary for his remaining quiet and taking an enforced rest from his duties.

All the news in the Journal.

DEATH OF FORMER RESIDENT

From Thursday's Daily—The announcement has been received here by Mrs. Jonas Johnson of the death of Mrs. John A. Swanson, an old time resident of this city. Mrs. Swanson, who has been making her home with a brother at Delena, Oregon, passed away at that place on February 22nd and was buried there. The deceased lady was seventy-nine years of age and was for a great many years a resident of Plattsmouth and to the host of old time friends her death comes with a great shock and brings a profound regret to all of those who had the pleasure of knowing her. While living here Mrs. Swanson was a very active figure in the work of the Swedish church and a firm and devout member of this faith.

Hearing Over Purchase of K. of T. Bridge

State Railway Commission Takes Up Matter of the Purchase of Bridge Over the Platte River.

From Thursday's Daily—The state railway commission held a hearing Tuesday on the question of whether in estimating the value of the King of Trail's bridge across the Platte between LaPlatte and Oread, the state and commission engineers were correct in saying it is worth \$123,026. This was the actual cost. The bridge is now privately owned by the King of Trail's Bridge company, and the owners desire to sell it to the state and to the counties of Cass and Sarpy. The state will pay half the amount, and the counties the other half.

A short distance from this bridge is the old toll bridge owned by T. H. Pollock and others of Plattsmouth. Mr. Pollock is objecting to the transaction, and according to correspondence in the office of the railway commission he has been trying to get the county commissioners to rescind their action in joining with the county board of Sarpy and asking this to be a state aid bridge.

Both of the bridges are charging toll at the present time, and the plan is to have the collection of tolls continued until such time as the counties have got back their half of the cost. The state will not get back any of its contribution, and this will move forward the date when this bridge becomes a free crossing. There are fourteen fifty-foot spans in the bridge and these alone cost \$88,000. The price of the entire structure includes the approaches. Under the law, when a purchase is contemplated, the state railway commission takes testimony upon the matter of cost and decides if the price asked is a proper one.

ENTERTAIN FOR MRS. CHAPMAN

From Thursday's Daily—Yesterday afternoon Mrs. E. P. Stewart was hostess at a very pleasant 1:30 luncheon at her home in honor of Mrs. John W. Chapman, who is expected to leave this spring for her former home at Baker, Montana, to reside. The decorative scheme of the luncheon was in green and orange, this lending a very pretty touch to the pleasant gathering, the orange sweet peas and the foliage and green cups adding their part to the beauty of the occasion.

Following the luncheon the ladies spent the afternoon in visiting with their friend who is soon to leave and enjoying to the utmost the fleeting hours that they could have together.

In entertaining and serving Mrs. Stewart was assisted by Mrs. C. A. Rosencrans. Those who enjoyed the pleasant event were: Mesdames Nelson, Jean, B. A. Bates, George O. Dovey, E. G. Dovey, Hamilton Thorne, Waldemar C. Soennichsen, Lynn O. Minor, R. Patterson, John W. Chapman and Miss Jessie Robertson.

MRS. POLLOCK IMPROVING

From Saturday's Daily—Last evening T. H. Pollock, president of the Farmers State bank, returned home from Rochester, Minnesota, where he has been for several days with Mrs. Pollock at the Colonial hospital of the Drs. Mayo at the Minnesota city.

Mr. Pollock brings with him the very pleasing news to the family and friends here of the fact that Mrs. Pollock who was operated upon several days ago is now showing improvement and it is thought will soon be on the highway to recovery from the illness and operation. The operation that Mrs. Pollock underwent was very serious and will require some time for her recuperation but at the present rate of improvement it is hoped in the next few weeks that she may be improved sufficiently to permit her return home.

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Commissioners Holding Regular Monthly Meeting

Number of New Assessors Appointed and Approved—Let Contract for County Printing.

From Thursday's Daily—The Board of County Commissioners have been busily engaged the past few days in the task of handling the matters of county business that come before their attention, the greater part of the time of the board being taken up in the allowance of the claims against the county on the various funds.

County Assessor W. H. Puls presented for the consideration of the board the names of several assessors to fill vacancies that existed in several of the precincts in the assessor's office and the newly appointed men will have charge of the work in their localities in making the 1926 assessment. Those who were named were: G. W. Snyder, Plattsmouth precinct; Ed Doran, Tipton precinct; J. H. Foreman, Greenwood precinct.

County Judge A. H. Duxbury also had before the board a matter of the greatest importance to the residents of the county and this was the matter of having the guardianship records and bonds of the guardians brought up to date as these have not been checked and a survey made of the various estates or properties in course of administration. To aid in this work the county judge was authorized to engage a special clerk for the period that might be necessary to handle this matter as the large amount of record work in the office keeps the regular clerk very busy all of the time and does not allow a thorough going over the records of past years as they should be in getting at these matters.

CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

From Friday's Daily—The passing of the sixteenth birthday anniversary of Miss Alice Bullin was marked last evening by a very pleasant party held at the Bullin home and attended by a jolly party of the young friends of this charming little lady. The members of the party willed away the hours in games and card contests and in which Miss Alice Crabbill was awarded the first prize while Miss Frances Wiles received the consolation prize. Dancing also served to assist in the pleasantness of the occasion for the young people.

At an appropriate hour the members were entertained at a most delightful luncheon which was arranged in a color scheme of green and white, the St. Patrick's favors being used in the decorative scheme of the evening.

In honor of the occasion the guest of honor received many beautiful and attractive gifts that served as reminders of the happy occasion.

Those attending the event were, Misses Helen Sharp, Marie Sperry, Mildred Meisinger, Alice Crabbill, Frances Wiles, Vivian Livingston, Margaret Engelke, Alice Lorenz, Mary Ellen Valery, Elvina Wiles, Elizabeth Hatt, Irma Mayfield, Ruth Janda and the guest of honor, Alice Bullin.

JUNK DEALER FINED

From Friday's Daily—For some time there has been a junk dealer operating in this city who had been in the habit of driving down from Omaha and gathering in the various pieces of junk that might be offered by the residents here and in turn taking them back to the metropolis where in turn he would dispose of these. The dealer had however overlooked one important matter and that was securing a license to ply his trade in this line of work. Yesterday afternoon Chief of Police Johnson gathered in the gentleman and had him brought before Judge Weber in police court to explain just how this oversight had occurred. After hearing the evidence in the case Judge Weber decided that it would be necessary for the junk dealer to part with \$25 and costs to satisfy the feelings of outraged justice and which was accordingly paid and the dealer allowed to go on his way.

ARRIVAL OF LITTLE DAUGHTER.

From Thursday's Daily—Announcement has been received here of the birth of a fine little daughter on Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Hunter, at Omaha, where the family have been making their home for the past two years. At the last reports the mother and little one are doing very nicely and as the little daughter is the first child in the family, she is the object of a great deal of admiration. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hunter are former Plattsmouth people, the former having been Miss Helena Roberts, of this city, and the latter a son of Mr. and Mrs. William Hunter.

VETERAN SHERIFF HERE

From Thursday's Daily—Yesterday Peter Clarence, sheriff of Cedar county, Nebraska, came in from Hartington, for a visit with the old time friends and relatives in the scenes of his boyhood days down in Liberty precinct, where he spent many happy years.

Sheriff Clarence is one of the veteran law enforcers of the state and has had a long career in the office that he is now filling, being re-elected repeatedly to the position and filling it with honor to himself and credit to the county that has chosen him as their chief law enforcing officer.

While here Mr. Clarence was a caller at the Journal office and visited with the publisher of the paper for a short time and the occasion was one that was very much enjoyed.

Gives Facts on Work of the M. E. Church

Representative of the District Conference Here to Give Real Facts of Church Work.

From Friday's Daily—The workers and leaders in the life of the local Methodist church in this city last evening had the opportunity of hearing some very interesting facts as to the church growth and activities in the nation and the world and the amounts that had been given in the various campaigns of the church in the mission field both at home and in foreign fields.

The speaker of the evening was Dr. Hollingshead, who has been in attendance at the district conference at Omaha this week and came down at the invitation of the local church to place before their membership the facts of the church work in many fields.

Dr. Hollingshead is a real wizard in presenting the financial facts of the church in a clear and concise manner and left with his hearers a clear understanding of just what the church has received and given in their various activities in the past years.

The givings of the church up to the centennial of 1920 was presented by the speaker and followed by the facts as to what the church had received at the centennial year in the world wide movement of the church. It was pointed out that in the years that the church was making their great world wide campaign that the church in this country had prospered greatly and had gained much in interest and strength in this nation, that following completion of the world campaign that the results in the country had not equalled the years of intensive giving and service.

The meeting opened at 6:30 with a supper in the church parlors and which was followed by the address of the speaker of the evening which was a rare treat to those who were in attendance.

CUTTING DOWN TREES ON NEW BUILDING SITE

From Friday's Daily—First steps looking toward the erection of the new community auditorium here this summer are now being taken with the cutting down and grubbing out of the large trees on the site of the new building. This work is being done by W. J. Howland and son, who are contributing their labor without cost. Mr. Howland says he does not care for the wood, and so anyone who will cut it up and burn the brush may secure it free by seeing either Leslie Niel or Elmer Webb, of the Legion building committee. The trees on the lot are all large ones and the work of cutting them down and grubbing them out will be no small task. It represents a substantial contribution on the part of Mr. Howland and his son who are experienced wood cutters and know just how to fell a tree with the least effort. The double garage located on the site is to be sold in the near future and removed, and then things will be in readiness for beginning excavation. The number of offers of assistance in this work makes it seem advisable to handle the excavation entirely separate from the building construction, and will enable the removal of the entire amount of dirt at once at a total cost of less than the amount required to excavate furnace and coal storage room only, if paid for at contractor's rates.

Parties desiring dirt who are willing to pay part of the hauling charges should see Mr. Niel now, so they may be assured of getting it when the time for excavating arrives. The cornerstone of the new building will be laid at the new Plattsmouth entertains the district Legion convention May 20th. If you want to place a bid on the garage on the lots, which cost \$1,000 to construct, see Mr. Niel. It will be sold within the next few weeks and somebody is going to get a fine garage mighty cheap.

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There was Clate Waiting at Golf Links in the Cold

Veteran Golfer Opens Season on New Course But Finds That His Opponent Cometh Not.

From Friday's Daily—The robin that usually comes bravely forth in the first part of March to herald the long looked for and promised springtime, has not as yet greeted the glorious Nebraska sunrises, but another unfailing sign of the awakening of nature from the sleep of winter has been observed.

This is the opening of the golf season officially by C. A. Rosencrans, the well known barber and golf expert. Mr. Rosencrans has been spending the winter season in his practice at the barber shop on the approach shots at the greens and has acquired a great skill in this part of the cunning Scot game. To give the practice a real workout he decided yesterday morning would be a fitting day to start the ball to rolling and accordingly invited Leslie Niel, also one of the real golf "bugs" of the community, to join him in a two-way.

Early Thursday morning Mr. Rosencrans arose and with the assistance of the family circle gathered up the golfing implements including the knickers and the mashies, etc., and dwellers at the Coronado had the opportunity of seeing his departure in the well known chariot that bears the license No. 1 that has been retrieved by Clate from Searl Davis. The golfer drove in mad haste to the golf course ere the first indications of the dawn broke in the east, the east being noted for its breaks, where the stock market breaks. On reaching the scene of action the golfing artillery was dragged up to the front and placed at hole No. 1 for the initial try over the rejuvenated course that Johnnie Hatt has prepared for the golfers. The moments sped by as Clate impatiently awaited his opponent, the skies turned to pink, still growing pinker and finally the glorious orb of day crept forth, but still no Niel. Finally Mr. Rosencrans decided that he would do his daily dozen himself and accordingly played over the course, reducing it to his 1925 record. On the return of the golfer to the city he instituted a search for this would be opponent and discovered that Leslie had tarried late at the American Legion meeting held on Wednesday evening and had failed to arise at his usual early hour and accordingly had gone direct from his home to the scene of his labors at the postoffice, forgetting that Clate was waiting at the golf course not unlike the fabled bride that was left waiting at the church.

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ARRANGING FOR CONVENTION

From Saturday's Daily—The executive committee of the Plattsmouth Woman's club met at the home of Mrs. Allen J. Beeson yesterday afternoon to perfect their plans for the holding of the Cass county convention on Thursday, March 11th. The convention which will embrace all of the clubs of Cass county, will be held at the public library auditorium on Thursday, March 11th. It has been arranged that there will be a luncheon given for the visitors at noon on the day of the convention at the Hotel Perkins. Local members may make reservation for 50c per plate by calling Mrs. Beeson. The ladies of the committee also elected Mrs. L. L. Turpin as the delegate from the local club to the county convention.

UNDERGOES OPERATION

From Saturday's Daily—Yesterday afternoon at the Methodist hospital in Omaha Mrs. James T. Begley of this city was operated upon after having been at the hospital under observation for several days. Mrs. Begley has been in rather poor health for some time and her condition was such that an operation was deemed necessary by the attending physicians in order to give her relief. Judge Begley remained at Omaha last evening to be with the wife who last evening was just coming out of the effects of the operation. The latest reports from the hospital state that she is doing as well as could possibly be expected.

SMALL FIRE TODAY

From Saturday's Daily—This morning the residence property of Carl Carlberg in the south part of the city was the scene of a fire that threatened to be quite serious for some time and it was only by the hard work of the members of the family and the neighbors that the fire was kept under control until the arrival of the fire department.

Free lessons in the new art lamp shades given at the Bates Book & Gift shop annex. Call and join in the classes.

RETURNING FROM FLORIDA

From Friday's Daily—John L. Hadraba, who last summer departed for Florida to work at his trade of carpenter in the great building boom that has been prevailing in the south for the past two years, is returning back to his native state Nebraska, called here by the condition of Mrs. Hadraba and the little son. The family have been at Lincoln at the home of Mrs. Hadraba's mother, Mrs. Booth, and their health has been very poor for the past winter. The little son was first taken with bronchial pneumonia and was in serious condition for some time and shortly after his recovery, Mrs. Hadraba was taken sick and her illness was followed by that of Mrs. Booth, the condition of the family being such as to decide Mr. Hadraba on returning to Nebraska.

Cass County Shows Pleasing Birth Rate

Quarter of 1925 Shows Births at 107 and Deaths at 40 in Reports of Registers.

From Friday's Daily—The reports of the various registers over Cass county and also in two of the adjoining districts show that the population of this section of the country is holding its own nicely and that there is no apparent trace of race suicide while the death rate is very low for the population of the county.

The highest birth rate shown is that of Murray where the register reports the birth of 47 and there was only one death to be recorded and this showing makes a real record that indicates that there will be a fine population in that section if the present rate is kept up.

The various points reporting on the births and deaths show that there were 107 births and 40 death in the months of October, November and December in Cass county and Ashland and Otoe.

The various places reporting were as follows:

	Births	Deaths
Murray	47	1
Avoca	7	0
Elmwood	2	4
Otoe	1	0
Eagle	3	3
Greenwood	5	1
Nehawka	8	1
Ashland	1	0
Murdock	22	18
Plattsmouth	22	13
Weeping Water	5	4
Alvo	2	3
Union	2	3

The sum paid registers by the county amounted to \$37.50 for their services.

MRS. BEGLEY AT HOSPITAL

From Thursday's Daily—Mrs. James T. Begley, of this city, has been at the Methodist hospital in Omaha for the past several days, where she has been taking treatment and under observation, as her health has not been the best of late and it is hoped that she may derive benefit from the treatment. The many friends here are hopeful that the patient may soon be able to return home and that her condition may prove to be much improved.

City to be Host to Knights Templar Soon

Notable Gathering of the Members of This Branch of Masonry in This City Next Month.

From Thursday's Daily—The forthcoming grand commandery of the Knights Templar of Nebraska, which is to be held in Plattsmouth starting April 15th, is something in which every resident of the city should feel a real pride and do all in their power to make it an event that will be, so far as the city of Plattsmouth is concerned generally, a real royal welcome to the visiting members of the Templars.

The commandery will bring to this city a large number of the distinguished residents from all sections of the state and who will be the guests here for the period that the commandery will be in session.

The committee of Mt. Zion commandery of this city will have the work of planning and arranging for the carrying out of the official program of the meeting and arranging for the entertaining and care of the visiting Templars during their stay in the city and in their work they should, and will, without a doubt, have the whole-hearted co-operation of every resident of Plattsmouth.

This meeting of the Templars, it is expected will be one of the last, if not the last, meetings that will be held outside of Omaha and Lincoln, and that is has come to this city is a very pleasing recognition of Plattsmouth and the splendid work of the local Masonic bodies.

The city should be fittingly decorated, especially in the business section and along the thoroughfare leading to the Nebraska Masonic Home, which will be one of the great points of interest to the visitors.

With the Nebraska Masonic Home, one of the great institutions of the order located in Plattsmouth, this city has a warm place in the hearts of the Masons over the state, and it should give them a royal welcome when they come here for the grand commandery meeting.

MARY GAYER BETTER

From Saturday's Daily—The reports received by friends from the home of Captain and Mrs. Harrison L. Gayer, south of this city, state that the little daughter, Mary, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia for the past several days, is now doing a great deal better and the crisis in her case seems to be passed with the little one on the mend and it is hoped that she will soon be able to be up and around.

MRS. ALBERT GODWIN POORLY

From Saturday's Daily—The many friends here will regret very much to learn that Mrs. Albert J. Godwin is in a very serious condition at her home in this city suffering from a very severe attack of heart trouble that has made her recovery a matter of grave doubt. Mrs. Godwin was formerly Miss Della White of this city.

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