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Local School Debators Close a Fine Season

Plattsmouth Debators With Ashland and Wahoo in a Tie for First Place for Season.

From Thursday's Daily—
The Plattsmouth high school debating team has closed one of the most successful seasons that has marked this line of school work in a great many years and the Plattsmouth team has shown exceptional ability in this line of work for the season and hold leading rank with the schools of this district. The team this year has been in charge of R. Foster Patterson, member of the high school faculty and whose brilliant work in this line of instruction has given the school its most successful team.

The last debate of the season was to have been held here on Friday with Ashland as the opponent of Plattsmouth, but yesterday the Ashland team was forced to call the local school and forfeit the debate with the locals as well as one with Wahoo. This leaves the three teams in this subdivision of the Northeast Nebraska district in a three cornered tie, Plattsmouth, Ashland and Wahoo each being credited with winning two debates and losing two. The final outcome of the tie will be in the hands of Prof. Wicks of the Fremont schools, the district chairman, who will determine the method by which the schools can settle the tie.

The three teams named above are the sub-division of the district and the other three teams in the northern half of the district are Blair, Fremont and Columbus, the winners of the southern half being pitted against the winning team of the northern section, which this year, is the Blair school. The winner of the district debate will be sent to the state contest to meet with the winners of the other districts.

HAS FRACTURED SKULL

From Thursday's Daily—
Erman Galloway, of Louisville, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Galloway of this city, was very seriously injured yesterday at the Ash Grove cement factory at Louisville and is now at the Wise Memorial hospital at Omaha in critical condition. Mr. Galloway, who is engaged as a steam-fitter at the cement plant was engaged yesterday morning in fixing a pump on some of the machinery some forty feet from where a group of workmen were blasting. The force of the blast dislodged a large amount of rock and one large piece struck Erman on the left temple, inflicting a very severe wound and causing a small fracture of the skull. The young man was knocked unconscious and remained in that condition from the time of the accident at 10 o'clock yesterday morning until after 10 o'clock last night. He was operated on at the hospital for the injury, the ordeal covering some time and this noon he was reported as resting as easily as possible under the circumstances, altho he is still in bad shape.

GOOD CAUSE SOCIAL

From Friday's Daily—
The Good Cause social held last evening at the I. O. F. hall on lower Main street was one that was of the greatest enjoyment to the large number in attendance and providing a very fine means of entertainment. The hostesses Meidames Ed Brantner, Mrs. Fred H. Mumm and T. E. Olson, had arranged a very interesting series of contests and in which Mrs. Frank Walton, Miss Anna Leach and Miss Jessie Robertson were the most successful.

During the evening five and six pinocle served to pass the time and in which the members of the party enjoyed themselves to the utmost. At the conclusion of the evening dainty and delicious refreshments were served.

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

From Thursday's Daily—
The Plattsmouth friends of the L. W. Lorenz family are delighted with the fact that Miss Alice, the daughter, who has been in very poor health for the past several years, has so far recovered that she has been able to return home and is enjoying a wonderful improvement in her health and it is hoped a permanent restoration to her old time health and vigor. The young lady had been in failing health and it was decided to have her given a course of treatment at the hospital, which has resulted in the most favorable outcome. It is needless to say that Mr. and Mrs. Lorenz are delighted to have their daughter back home and Miss Alice to again be with the parents and old time friends.

Large Class is Initiated by K. of C. Last Night

Seventeen New Members are Received Into the Order—District Deputy Kennedy Present.

Last evening the local council of the Knights of Columbus held a very largely attended meeting at their hall on Chicago avenue and at which time there was a class of seventeen young men of the community received into the first degree of the Knights of Columbus.

The council had as their guests for the evening, B. A. Kennedy, Omaha, district deputy; B. H. Patterson, of Kearney, state secretary; C. H. Marston and T. H. Marhar, of Omaha.

The active work of the conferring of the degree was made by the team composed of William Woolcott, grand knight; B. A. Kennedy, chancellor; Mike Vitensnik, deputy grand knight and George H. Sedlacek, warden.

The work was very beautifully given and the candidates impressed with the mission and purpose of this great order that embraces the men of the Catholic faith and the candidates will be given the second and third degrees at a later session of the council.

HAS HAND INJURED

From Thursday's Daily—
Last evening Ray Cavendar was the victim of a very severe accident, while engaged in overhauling his auto at the Chrysler garage on Main street. Ray had the car jacked up and had his right arm under the car engaged in making some adjustments and cleaning the car, when the Ford slipped from the jack and started to settle down. Ray made an attempt to get his arm out from under the car and succeeded in getting all but the two first fingers of the right hand in the clear of the car.

NEW INTERSECTION MARKERS

From Friday's Daily—
This morning the new intersection markers were installed in the business section of the city, replacing the large and heavy concrete blocks that have for years been a menace to traffic in the street. The new intersection markers to direct traffic are the small regulation "warts" and are painted a bright orange that cannot fail to attract attention and are not so high as to construct an obstruction as were the old markers. The new "warts" were placed in the streets under the direction of Carl Kunsmann, chairman of the streets, alleys and bridges committee of the city council.

RECEIVE NEW DANCE FLOOR PREPARATION

The American Legion has received a shipment of "Spangles," the new dance floor preparation put out by the makers of 20-Mile-Team borax. This product is said to be the greatest find of its kind ever unearthed and is being used by all the larger dance halls in the country.

The new product was sent complimentary by the Pacific Coast Borax company and will be given a trial on the large 5,000 square feet of dance floor in the Legion building.

Style Show is One of Beauty and Interest

Showing at the Parmele Last Evening One That is a Great Credit to the City.

From Thursday's Daily—
Last evening at the Parmele theatre at the close of the regular program of entertainment, there was presented one of the most pleasing events that has been offered here, the style show, which was in its entirety one that would do credit to a city many times the size of Plattsmouth and which demonstrated in the showing the splendid offerings of a group of the local stores in the spring and summer lines of wearing apparel, both for gentlemen and ladies.

The beautiful gowns of the ladies and the snappy spring and summer designs of the men's and boys' apparel vied with each other and gave the audience that filled the theatre to its capacity, the opportunity of seeing "what's new" for the young old, slim, stout or medium and was a real revelation of the opportunities of the local stores in styles and designs that would suit the most discriminating.

The style show was staged largely under the direction of Carl Welgel, the premier organizer at the Parmele, who has worked very hard in attending the preliminary details and in the actual stagings each of the stores represented had stage managers on hand to assist the models in the showing of the snappiest things of the 1928 season in this part of the west.

Five of the leading business houses of the city, the H. M. Soennichsen Co., the Ladies Toggery, Mrs. Emma Pease, Phillip Theroff and C. E. Westcott's Sons were the firms that participated in the unusual and attractive display of the dainty things of the season for the ladies and the newest in the market of the men's garments.

In the display there was the colorful silk ensembles, party dresses, tailored traveling suits, sport togs, lounging robes, pajamas and the dainty hosiery of the ladies and the new spring and early summer togs of the men and boys and embracing the snappiest of the suits for the little lads to the more sedate garb of the mature. In the dainty little ladies gowns there was a gorgeous display of the many appearing models and the clever young models made the men's showing a revelation to the beholder.

The H. M. Soennichsen Co., had as their models in the ladies and misses gowns, Thelma Kroehler, Ruth Janda, Alice Crabb while in the togs of the men and boys were the Mae Duxbury, Shirley Walling, Peggy Wiles, Betty Bullin and Helen Hiatt.

For the Ladies Toggery Doris Young, Helen Clement, Pauline Newnasek, Mrs. L. B. Rakow, Viola Melander, Mrs. Walter Reed, Leona Hudson, Marie Meisinger and Ruth Sitzman, modeled very artistically the beautiful gowns. In the Toggery exhibit the ladies also had the skilled services of the Etta-Belle beauty parlor in preparing them for the charming display of youth and beauty.

Mrs. Emma Pease staged a very beautiful showing which included the gowns and the fine lines of millinery and hosiery of the establishment. Mrs. Robert Hill of Fremont, Mrs. Dick Beverage, Frances Christ, O. Huffer, Marie Sperry, Isabel Marshall and Editha carrying out the display of the garments, while the dainty little page, Jeanette Hirz also added to the delight of this portion of the showing.

The Phillip Theroff clothing store had as the models for the garments for the small boy up to the more mature type, Chris Bullin, B. A. Rosencrans, Max Novinsky, Phillip Rosencrans and George Dovey who carried out the showing in splendid shape and with some of the classiest models that has been offered here.

For the firm of C. E. Westcott's Sons, the showing of the newest in the garments of the men was displayed by Edgar Westcott and Covert Jean for the more mature type of garment, while Vernon Arn, Jr., and Richard Lahr showed the high school youth and the boy garments that gave everyone a full appreciation of what the best dressers are wearing.

During the progress of the show Charles Newasek, popular young man of this city presided at the Wurzel setting to the evening.

It is planned to make this a semi-annual event at the theatre and another style show arranged for late in the summer or early fall.

Get your school supplies at the Bates Book and Stationery Store, where you will find the complete line at all times.

WILL BECOME FLYERS

Two more young men of Cass county are to enter the growing modern profession of aviation and prepare to be able to take their places in the ranks of those who are being called into the service of this new means of transportation. Charles Barrows and Clell Gansemer of Murray, are planning on leaving the coming week for Chicago, where they will enter an aviation school to learn the art of being a pilot and gather a thorough knowledge of the planes, with a view of making this their future profession. Both are fine young men and bright and alert and should make real aviators when they have completed their work. Mr. Barrows has long been an enthusiast of this work and the opportunity of going to Chicago is one that fulfills a long felt desire.

Sand Pits are Beginning to Show Activity

Employees Increasing Number of Men at the Plant North of City at Platte River.

From Friday's Daily—
The sand pit that is being operated by the Lyman-Richey Sand Co., at the Platte river north of this city is preparing to start into real active work in a very short time and already they have a considerable number of men of the city engaged in the preliminary work that is necessary for the preparation to run the plant in full blast in the summer season in producing the sand that is shipped to all parts of the west.

The company is having the firm of Coleman & Pittman erect a number of buildings at the new pits that will be used in the handling of the business of the company and some fifteen men have been engaged from this city to help in the general work at the pits as well as a force that has come here from Louisville where the pits were formerly located.

The superintendent of the plant, Mr. Taylor, is removing from Louisville to this city and the former J. G. Richey, who has been in charge of the streets is being repainted, papered and placed in first class shape for the occupancy of Mr. Taylor and his estimable family very soon.

This industry with that of the gravel companies that are to operate along the Platte in the close vicinity of the city, will be a great asset to the community and with the increasing demand for both sand and gravel should be a real boost to the industrial life here.

FAVORS CEMETERY MOVE

From Friday's Daily—
After reading the article in the Journal a few days ago urging the placing of the cemeteries of the city in the hands of a commission of citizens and operated along the lines of an association, with a custodian provided with a living salary to devote all of the time to the care of the city of the silent, one of the prominent ladies of the city called to express her approval of the proposition that would make a more beautiful place of the cemetery which would not make a great deal of cost.

Other cities have long since adopted the plan and with the greatest of success, as in our neighboring city across the Missouri, Red Oak, Iowa, the association there has a fee of \$2.50 per year for the care of each lot in the cemetery or the payment of a lump sum of \$50 that will cover all of the future care of the lots and they are kept in the best of shape.

Relative to the water proposition at the cemetery one of our residents states that at York the residents of that city have solved the problem by having erected a large windmill that pumps water into a large storage tank and from which pipes are laid to various parts of the cemetery, as the tank is shut off in the winter season the pipes are laid only shallow below the surface of the ground and in the summer serves to give water to all sections of the cemetery. There the cemetery is very level and the fall not as great as would be possible at Oak Hill if a mill was installed. At York the tank is vine covered that hides the outlines and makes a very slight appearance, altho the windmill is put in an object of beauty but does a good service.

ENJOY FINE OPERA

From Saturday's Daily—
The Chicago civic opera company presented a very delightful rendition of the great opera of Verdi, "Il Trovatore" at Lincoln on Thursday evening and which was attended by a group of the Plattsmouth lovers of the opera. Superintendent and Mrs. R. E. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Simons and the Misses Sylvia Cole and Betty West formed a party attending the offering. The opera company is planning to make this visitation to Lincoln an annual event as a part of the nation wide tour of the company. The opera was presented in the coliseum of the state university and 8,400 persons were in attendance at the big musical event of the year.

John Edmunds Dies Suddenly at Murray Home

Old Time Resident of County Stricken and Passes Away an Hour Later

From Friday's Daily—
John W. Edmunds, one of the old and highly respected residents of Murray, passed away at an early hour today at his home, death coming very suddenly to this splendid old gentleman. Mr. Edmunds had arisen as was his custom shortly before 7 o'clock and was apparently feeling in his usual spirits and while moving around the house he was taken with a sudden stroke a few moments later and lapsed into unconsciousness, growing gradually worse until death came to his relief shortly after 8 o'clock.

Mr. Edmunds has been suffering from heart trouble for some time but not thought in dangerous condition and his sudden attack came as a great blow to the family.

John W. Edmunds was born in the state of Michigan, November 20, 1849, and came to the vicinity of the present town of Murray, a little over fifty years ago and has since been one of the prominent and active leaders in that community. After the location of the town of Murray Mr. Edmunds served as postmaster for many years and also engaged in the conduct of a lumber yard and harness shop. In late years Mr. Edmunds was in charge of the cream station at Murray and in which he was engaged at the time of his death. He was one of the leaders in the establishment of the town and was for years one of the most prominent residents of this section of Cass county. The deceased was one of the lifelong members of the Modern Woodman of America, belonging to the Murray camp.

Mr. Edmunds is survived by three daughters, Mrs. William Sporer, who was living at the parental home at the time of his death, Mrs. A. G. Long also of Murray and Mrs. Homer Miller of Plainview, Nebraska. Mrs. Edmunds passed away some eleven years ago.

MALVERN BRIDGE BOOSTERS

From Thursday's Daily—
Yesterday afternoon a group of the leading business men of Malvern, Iowa, were here to look over the situation as regards the new bridge over the Missouri river at this place and to pledge their full efforts in making the bridge a reality in the coming year and to afford a means of rapid communication between this locality and Queen Mills across the river and which territory, while a close neighbor so far as miles are concerned, is far removed from active contact.

Those in the party were Fred Durbin, banker; F. E. Mulholland, one of the leading merchants in south-west Iowa; J. E. Ronderson and R. K. Piper, prominent business man of that city.

The visitors were enthusiastic over the prospects for the bridge and are as interested in the successful culmination of the long struggle for a bridge as the most rabid boosters in this section and state that their territory is 100 per cent for the new bridge at this point.

GOING OUT OF BUSINESS

From Friday's Daily—
B. A. McElwain, who has been a familiar figure in the business life of the city for a great many years and whose attractive jewelry store has carried one of the most tasty and well selected of stocks for the needs of the residents of this locality, is to retire from active business life.

For the past few years the health of Mr. McElwain has been poorly and he has undergone short courses of treatment and been able to keep the active management of the store, but his condition has grown more severe and developed a chronic phase that makes it necessary for Mr. McElwain to close out his business and undergo a long course of treatment in order to try and regain his health. That "Bert," as he is so well known in the community can find relief and recovery from his illness is the wish of the many friends in the community.

ASKS FOR DIVORCE

From Saturday's Daily—
This morning in the office of the Clerk of the District Court was filed an action for divorce. F. M. McCrory was the plaintiff and Ivy M. McCrory the defendant. The action is one for divorce and the grounds urged by the plaintiff is that of desertion. The parties were married August 7, 1925, at Council Bluffs, Iowa, the petition states.

B. F. Dill, assessor of South Bend precinct and his daughter-in-law, Mrs. O. B. Dill came in yesterday and spent a few hours here visiting while Mr. Dill was attending the assessor's meeting.

Legal blanks of all kinds for sale at the Journal office

HANDLING ETHYL GASOLINE

From Friday's Daily—
The Ofe Oil company, who are handlers of the better grades of gasoline and motor oils, and have ever been the best with the demands of the motorist, and handles only the best of gas and lubricants, have just installed a new pump at their oil station on Chicago avenue, and are now prepared to serve the celebrated Johnson Ethyl gasoline, the product of the Johnson Refining Corporation of America. This product has been given the most exhaustive tests and found to produce the results which is claimed for it. Especially does this remove the knock from the engines and thus prolongs the wear of the motor and gives always the best results in the running of the motor, for ease, least wear and economy.

Well Known Union Lady is Called Away

Mrs. Ethel Saxon Dies at Home in Southern Part of County—Funeral at Union.

From Friday's Daily—
In the death of Mrs. Ethel Saxon, aged 73, which occurred at her home in Union on Sunday, the community has suffered a distinct loss in the passing of this splendid christian lady who has long been active in the religious life of the locality where she has made her home.

Mrs. Saxon was born at Prescott, Wis., May 14, 1854, and came to Bellevue, Nebraska, with her parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. John Freeman, in the fall of 1868, the family making the long trip from their old home by the ox team route and arriving in this state when it was still unsettled save in a few river points. In 1869 the family moved to Nebraska City where they remained for two years and then removed to a farm near Union where they have since made their home.

Mrs. Saxon was married on December 24, 1881 at Union, to John Saxon, who has preceded her in death November 7, 1924. In her lifetime Mrs. Saxon was a devout member of the Baptist church and was active in the work of the church at Union for over twenty years of her residence at that place and was known and loved for her splendid character. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Iva Pond, Atlanta, Georgia, and four sons, George H. Saxon, Ruben Saxon, John F. Saxon, Omaha and Floyd Saxon of Union, as well as a vast number of sorrowing friends and old time neighbors.

The funeral services were held on Wednesday at Union with Rev. W. A. Taylor of the Baptist church conducting the services, there being a very large number in attendance at the services to pay their last tributes to this estimable lady. The interment was at the Union cemetery.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish in this manner to express our heartfelt gratitude to the many kind friends and neighbors who were so tender in their assistance in the last illness of our loved mother and for the beautiful flowers and words of sympathy at the time of her passing, as well as to those who assisted at the funeral services.—The Children of Mrs. Ethel Saxon.

VERY HEAVY SNOW

From Friday's Daily—
The Burlington trains from the east this morning bore the indications of the heavy snowfall that visited eastern Iowa and Illinois, as the mail coaches which came through Chicago bore the heavy snow that they had passed through. The snow east as well as south was much heavier than in this locality and the regions that have long been in need of additional moisture have had a very pleasing visitation of the moisture.

SUFFERING FROM ILLNESS

From Thursday's Daily—
Joe Ellington, who has been serving as the toll keeper at the bridge of the Plattsmouth Auto and Wagon Bridge Co., over the Platte river, was taken sick last night and his condition became such as to necessitate his returning home to this city and taking treatment. Mr. Ellington is doing as well as could possibly be expected and his friends are hopeful that he may soon recover from his indisposition.

DOES ENJOY SOCIAL

From Thursday's Daily—
Yesterday afternoon the B. P. O. Does enjoyed a very delightful social session at the Elks club house and which was attended by a very large number of the ladies. The time was spent in bridge and in this pastime Mrs. Frank M. Bestor proved the most successful and was awarded the prize. At the close of the afternoon dainty and delicious refreshments were served.

VERY HAPPY EVENT

From Thursday's Daily—
Yesterday, when the stork was traveling over the city he stopped at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Gorder and left in their care a very fine little daughter, who with the mother is doing very nicely and the occasion has brought to the father and other relatives the greatest joy as this is the first child in the family. Mrs. Troop was formerly Miss Maybelle Troop, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Troop of near Nehawka.

Death of Well Loved Resident of Cass County

Mrs. Montgomery Robb Called to the Last Long Rest Last Night After Long Illness.

From Thursday's Daily—
Last night at 11 o'clock at the family home at Union occurred the death of Mrs. Montgomery Robb, one of the beloved and highly esteemed residents of Cass county and a lady who was universally esteemed by a large group of friends in the community where sixty-two years of her lifetime had been spent.

The death of Mrs. Robb came after an illness that has covered the past seven years and during which time Mrs. Robb has been gradually failing in health, but it was not until the last few days that her condition was recognized as being critical and from this time she gradually grew worse until death came to her relief.

The deceased lady was formerly Miss Jessie Walbridge and was born in Plymouth, Indiana, April 3, 1854, and when a child was brought by her family to Nebraska, they arriving at Nebraska City in 1865 and settling in that locality and where on June 29, 1876 was united in marriage to Montgomery Robb, a son of Hon. P. W. Robb, one of the pioneers of Otoe county.

After the marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Robb they located on the farm near the town of Wyoming and where they have since resided for the greater part of the time and where their son, Fleming Robb, now resides. It was in the attractive home surroundings that the family was reared and eight years ago Mr. and Mrs. Robb removed to Union, where they have since resided, to spend their declining years in peace and rest. In 1922 the family circle was broken when a son, Hugh Robb was called to the last rest and which blow has greatly affected the parents. Mr. and Mrs. Robb resided for a short time at Lincoln, where Mr. Robb was employed and later came to Plattsmouth where they were members of the Main hotel for a few years, going from here back to the old home near Union.

Mrs. Robb was a lady of the most Christian character and a devout member of the Episcopal church, retaining her membership in the St. Mary's church at Wyoming and was very active in the work of the church, giving a great deal of her time to the advancement of the work of the church.

Of the family there remains the aged husband and two children, Fleming Robb and Miss Augusta Robb, the daughter being at home where she assisted in the care of the parents. The aged husband is also in very poor health at this time.

One brother, Charles Walbridge, of Holly, Alabama, accompanied Mrs. Robb to Union for the last few years of her residence at that place and was known and loved for her splendid character. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Iva Pond, Atlanta, Georgia, and four sons, George H. Saxon, Ruben Saxon, John F. Saxon, Omaha and Floyd Saxon of Union, as well as a vast number of sorrowing friends and old time neighbors.

PUMP HOUSE NEARLY BURNED TO GROUND

From Friday's Daily—
On Tuesday night about the hour of twelve o'clock the fire siren was heard roaring, and the citizens called to the fire which happened to be the city pump house. The fire had gained considerable headway and the entire roof was in flames which were leaping to a considerable distance into the air and threatened other buildings, especially that of E. T. Comer, as the wind was blowing strongly from the southeast. The fire boys got into quick action and the hoses were soon playing strongly on the flames which were extinguished in a very short time. The fire boys are to be congratulated upon their quick work. One person was heard to say that it was the most sensible fire that he had ever seen, as the fire fighting equipment was right there. It is not known just how the fire caught, but from all indications it caught in the west part of the wall of the building running up the side into the roof, which was set on fire. Wm. Long, night watchman discovered the flames and turned in the alarm. It was fortunate that it was discovered just when it was for in five or ten minutes more the building would have been burned to the ground.—Elmwood Leader-Echo.

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