

The Plattsmouth Journal.

Presbyterian Church Holds Annual Election

Largely Attended Meeting Last Evening and Officers Selected for Session.

From Thursday's Daily
The annual congregational meeting of the First Presbyterian church was held last evening at the church and a large number of the church membership was in attendance.

The chief business of the session was the naming of the officers of the church and Sunday school and the following were selected for the various offices.
Elders—T. H. Pollock and George L. Farley.
Trustees—Frank A. Cloldt, R. W. Knorr.
Treasurer—L. O. Minor.
Ushers—Ralph Wehrbein, Carl Schneider, Robert Foster Patterson, Roy Olson and Charles Anthes.

In the naming of the officers of the Sunday school for the year, the following were selected:
Superintendent—Carl Schneider.
Assistant Superintendent—Miss Pearl Staats.
Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Frank A. Cloldt.
Assistant Secretary—Floyd Shanholtz.
Organist—Miss Estelle Baird.
Assistant Organist—Miss Ella Margaret McCarty.
Chorister—Frank A. Cloldt.
Cradle Roll Dept.—Mrs. H. G. McCusky.

HIGH SCHOOL TEAMS PLAY

From Thursday's Daily
Last evening the quintet who in 1931-32 represented the Plattsmouth high school on the basketball courts of southeastern Nebraska, staged a game with members of the team this year and the future Plattsters. The veterans had with them Rummel and Arn of the present year's team, who had played with them in the last year season.

When the smoke of battle rolled away the veterans of '32 were the winners by the score of 35 to 20.

The veterans early acquired a lead that was never headed by the Plattsters. In the opening quarter Rummel and Forbes acquired a field goal and Knoflick two while for the high school Hiner saved a shut out with a field toss.

In the second quarter again the high school was held to a small margin, Rhodes securing a field toss and Porter a free throw. For the veterans there was a bombardment of the basket, Arn and Forbes securing two baskets, Rummel and Donat one each and Knoflick a free toss.

After the half the high school seemed to show more signs of life and McCleary and Ronne each accounted for a basket, while Rummel and Knoflick each made two field goals for the old timers.

In the closing period the high school started a rally that was too late, every member of the quintet registering. Field goals were made by McCleary, Bernard Knoflick, Hiner, Armstrong and Hinz. For the alumnus Rummel and Knoflick were the scorers.

The tilt was refereed by Robert Pritch, county surveyor.
The box score of the game:
High School—

	FG	FT	PF	TP
McCleary, f	2	0	0	4
Ronne, f-g	1	0	0	2
Rhodes, f	1	0	0	2
Knoflick, f	1	0	0	2
Hiner, c	2	1	0	5
Porter, c	0	1	0	1
Armstrong, g	1	0	1	2
Hinz, g	1	0	2	2
	9	2	3	20

	FG	FT	PF	TP
Arn, f	2	0	1	4
Rummel, f	5	2	1	12
Donat, c	1	0	0	2
Knoflick, g	5	1	0	11
Robinson, g	0	0	0	0
Forbes, g	3	0	3	6
	16	3	5	35

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GUILD ELECTS NEW OFFICERS

From Thursday's Daily
Last evening Miss Mildred Kostka entertained the Westminister Guild at the home of Mrs. Searl Davis. The meeting was of great importance as the annual election of officers was held and new leaders were elected for the ensuing year. The new officers are as follows:
President—Marjory Lohnes.
Vice-President—Wilhelmina Hennrichsen.
Secretary—Ruth Warga.
Treasurer—Eleanor Olsen.
The new officers will be installed at the next regular meeting.
The beautiful candlelight initiation service was held and three girls were received into the membership of the Guild. The new members are Olive Sylvester, Anna Margaret McCarty, and Marie Parriott.

Local Young Man Tells of Earthquake

Theodore Todd Returns Home from California, Where He Experienced Earth Shock.

Theodore Todd, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Todd of this city, has just returned home from California, where he was at the time of the great earthquake shock a few weeks ago. The shock occurred on a Friday afternoon at 5:55 Pacific coast time and Mr. Todd was at the home of his brother, Lloyd Todd, residing at Watts, a suburb of Los Angeles. He was lying down on a couch when suddenly the room shook and the couch danced as a boat in rough water. The young man attempted to reach the door of the room and was thrown against the walls several times, the house rocking under the repeated shocks.

Street car tracks buckled up as the shocks continued and after the shocks they would again resume normal condition. As the shocks continued buildings that had brick fronts were collapsing in all sections and many who were injured were caught fleeing into the streets as the fronts fell.

A little niece of Mrs. Lloyd Todd had been left in a Dodge sedan on one of the business streets while the mother was doing some shopping. The child when the first earth shock came crawled under the dash of the car and to this she probably owes her life as in a few seconds tons of brick from one of the nearby buildings buried the car, damaged the top and doors and it was sometime before the little girl was extricated unhurt. One of the most freakish parts of the quake was the effect on autos on the streets. Cars with their brakes set were dancing over the street and beyond the power of the drivers to control them until the quake was over.

Mr. Todd states that in all of the damage there was but one church in any of the damaged areas that suffered injury, although many school buildings suffered severe damage and one at Huntington Park was a total wreck. The time was most fortunate in that the school buildings were empty of pupils.

Mr. Todd was unable to reach Long Beach to look over the situation there, the city being devoted to the reclamation work and barring the visits of sightseers.

DEADLINE DRAWS NEAR

The deadline when the motorists of Cass county must have their new licenses for cars and trucks is drawing near. Sheriff Homer Sylvester has been very generous in the allowance of time for everyone to secure a license, but on April 15th all motor vehicles must have the license plates or be kept off the highways as the sheriff will be compelled to enforce the law and its penalties for failure to have the proper license plates.

RETURNING TO MURRAY

C. A. McReynolds, who has been making his home in Omaha for the winter with relatives, was in Plattsmouth for a short time Friday. Mr. McReynolds is moving from the metropolis back to his former home at Murray and where he will be located in the future.

Coach Bible Speaker at the Athletic Banquet

Community Banquet Held Last Evening to Honor High School Basketball Team.

From Friday's Daily
Last evening at the main dining room of the Brown cafe was held the community banquet to honor the members of the basketball team of the high school and Coach Fred A. Rothert. The banquet was one of the largest that has been held in the city and the dining room was filled to its capacity.

The menu was one that all enjoyed and was served with dispatch and provided the pleasurable opening of the evening of enjoyment. The tables were arranged with streamers of blue and which carried out the colors of the school.

Adding to the pleasures of the occasion was the musical program given by Glenn Woodbury at the piano. Mr. Woodbury being an accomplished musician and this feature was one that all appreciated to the utmost.

The Plattsmouth basketball team with Coach Rothert as well as the Avoca team, regional class B winners, and Coach Larson, were seated at the speaker's table with Toastmaster R. Foster Patterson and the visitors, Coach Dana X. Bible of the University of Nebraska and Ed Weir one of the assistant coaches in football and track at the university.

Mr. Patterson at the conclusion of the repast presided over the short toast list, introducing Coach Rothert, who in a few well chosen words expressed his appreciation of the work of the team for the past year, the fine manner in which the players had conducted themselves and from a poor start had made a brilliant season.

Letters were presented by Coach Rothert to Robert Hinz, Maynard McCleary, William Ronne, Stuart Porter, Kenneth Armstrong, Robert Rummel, Laurence Rhodes, Wayne Hiner, Sam Arn and Bernard Knoflick.

Sam Arn, captain of the basketball team, expressed for the team the appreciation of the members for the fine dinner arranged in their honor and which would be long remembered as the community expression of the services of the team.

Coach Bible gave a most inspiring talk, one that especially had appeal to the members of the athletic teams both in their work on the field or court and in life itself. The subject was "Hitting the Line Hard," and which was the appeal of the speaker for the young man in athletic field or in the daily walks of life, when with courage they opposed their opponents or the obstacles of daily life that might confront them.

The speaker praised the athletic work as an inspiration to the young man for better living and a realization of sportsmanship in every way which they would carry into their future lives. The value of athletic training was warmly praised by the coach and who also in his remarks praised the fine work of the athletic students of the Plattsmouth high school.

The coach paid a fine tribute to the city for its appreciation of the time and effort that the students had given for the glory of the school on the basketball court or football field.

Following the dinner and short program at the cafe, the members of the banquet party were invited to the high school auditorium where they were entertained for an hour by Ed Weir and his motion pictures of athletic activities at the state university. The films included pictures of the Pittsburgh game as well as other battles of the last fall. Many of these were in slow motion and Mr. Weir gave short remarks on the plays, their success and failure and the reasons, all of which was especially interesting to the young men of the school.

The banquet was a fine community tribute to the group of young men that have gained prestige for the city and school by their excellent record the past season. The success of the event can largely be laid to H.H. Martin, untiring worker and who with his committee engineered the most important feature of the event, the sale of the tickets that assured

one of the largest and most successful events of its kind in the history of the city.

WINS HIGH HONORS

Henry Marshall of Council Bluffs, former Plattsmouth high school graduate, who is now attending the Creighton university, was awarded the Jefferson-Mullen essay award this week. This award is offered for the best essay prepared by students and its award by the young man is a recognition of his ability in this line. The title of the essay was "The Jefferson Code" and carries with it a cash prize of \$25. Mr. Marshall is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Marshall, now making their home in Council Bluffs and a brother of Mrs. Justus Lillie of this city. He graduated from the local high school in 1928.

Orders Pratt to Return to Duties in Legislature

Former Superintendent of Schools in Plattsmouth Ordered to Drop Campaign for Mayor.

By unanimous vote the Nebraska house of representatives yesterday instructed its chief clerk to notify "at once" C. E. Pratt, member from Hastings appointed to succeed the late J. M. Turbyfill, to get back on the job pronto. The membership recently voted him \$350 as proportionate share of the time he presumably was to serve.

Cromer, republican of Scottsbluff, having previously noted absence of the democrat from Adams, voiced severe criticism. If special privilege is to be granted, he wants a little for himself that he may go home and plant sugar beets.

"I understand that he made considerable effort to land the appointment," said Cromer. "Since he accepted, he should be here. It is not right for any member to absent himself continuously."

Cromer offered the motion ordering prompt return. He asked for the excuse record on Pratt and was told by Speaker O'Malley that the member from Adams was excused for the first three days of this week.

"How about last week and the week before?" asked Cromer.
"He has been excused every week since he has been here, but this is his longest absence," said the speaker.

Pratt is in the race as a candidate for mayor of Hastings. He is chairman of the democratic county central committee. His previous excuses usually have been for the latter part of each week. He had not appeared at noon Thursday.

There was considerable campaigning in Adams county over who should succeed Mr. Turbyfill. The latter's widow was highly recommended.

Fight Over Raasch Bill
The house spent most of the morning wrangling over the Raasch bill to permit detachment of rural land from town school districts.

The bill would permit farm land owners to apply for detachment in their district courts, and either to set up a new school district or to attach themselves to another rural district. As amended Thursday morning, property worth \$200,000 would have to be kept in the original district and the detached farm lands would remain subject to taxation in the town district for payment of previously incurred bonded indebtedness.

House railroad committee reported out H. R. 181, introduced by the late J. M. Turbyfill of Adams, amending the anti-free pass law by providing that physicians, surgeons and attorneys, actually employed by railroads, and the dependent members of their immediate families may be issued free transportation.

IS UNDERGOING TREATMENT

Peter Claus, who has been poorly for some time, is at Omaha where he was taken on Thursday for treatment. Mr. Claus has not been feeling the best for several months and it was decided that the course of treatment would be necessary if he is to receive any permanent relief.

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Missouri River Development is Gaining Favor

Flood Control, Power Generation and Navigation Possibilities Considered by the President.

As outlined in a brief article in the Journal a few days ago, there is great possibility of the Missouri River Valley being included in President Roosevelt's flood control, power and navigation program.

Further substantiation of that possibility was brought to Kansas City Thursday by Arthur J. Weaver, former governor of Nebraska, who was on his way home after spending ten days in Washington, says the Kansas City Star.

In an interview with the reporter of that newspaper, former Governor Weaver declared the prospects looked bright for such action being taken as soon as the emergency relief bills can be gotten out of the way.

Flood control work, centering in Montana, Governor Weaver said, would halt the ravages of flood throughout the entire course of the Missouri river, assure ample water for navigation from the Dakotas to the river's junction with the Mississippi river and furnish a power project of inestimable value to the middle west.

Has Ideal Possibilities
"It is recognized in Washington," Governor Weaver said, "that the Missouri River Valley offers the ideal possibilities along the line the President has adopted with respect to reclamation."

While the administration's attention now is focused on the Tennessee Valley project, members of congress pointed out to Governor Weaver that the President's message dealing with reclamation and employment relief left the door open for broadening of the program. He also learned that an extensive survey of the Missouri river's flood control possibilities had been made by army engineers, but the report had not been submitted to congress and its contents, therefore, had not become public.

Mr. Weaver was accompanied on his trip to Washington by George J. Miller, executive secretary of the Missouri River Navigation Association. Mr. Weaver is president of the association.

Only One Dam Involved
Only one major project would be involved in controlling the Missouri river at flood stage, Mr. Weaver pointed out. A dam constructed in the vicinity of Fort Peck, Montana, would effectively impound the excess water of the Missouri and hold it for release during the dry seasons to maintain an even flow over the entire channel.

The area which would be inundated by the impounded water is of such character that only a small amount of agricultural land would be involved. There are no costly motor roads in the area and no railroads at all. Much of the land is not in cultivation and a considerable acreage belongs to the government. The site, Governor Weaver said, was ideal for a flood control dam, both as to topography and low cost.

"The benefits to be had from controlling the Missouri river would be numerous," according to Mr. Weaver. "First, there would be the elimination of flood damages. That is an ever present threat throughout the Missouri River Valley. Records show that in thirty-two years the water has been above flood stage seventeen times.

Damage of 50 Million
"That has meant destruction of crops, destruction of farm and city homes and other property. The flood damage in a quarter of a century has amounted to almost 50 million dollars not to mention the attendant loss of life."

The damage of 22 million dollars in Greater Kansas City in the 1903 flood was cited by Governor Weaver as an example of the water menace that would be brought under control.

The effect of the regulated flow in the channel would be a boon to river navigation, extending navigation of the Missouri up into the Dakotas.

excess water were impounded in Montana," Governor Weaver said.

Besides the protection to property and the aid to river transportation, the control project would furnish a water power site. The value of the electric power which would be created by the impounded water has been estimated to be worth 29 million dollars, Governor Weaver said.

Property valued at 500 million dollars would be protected from destruction by the control development, it was estimated.

The possibility of extending flood control to the Missouri river has been discussed several times recently by Senator Norris of Nebraska, who recently introduced in the senate the administration's bill for reclamation work in the Tennessee Valley. Senator Norris spoke of it at the time President Roosevelt inspected Muscle Shoals and on a recent visit to Omaha, Governor Weaver said.

Death of Henry Keil, a Former Resident Here

After Long Illness Member of Well Known Cass County Family Passes Away.

From Friday's Daily
This morning at 1:30 at his home at Alpena, South Dakota, occurred the death of Henry Keil, former Cass county resident, death following an illness that covered over a year. Mr. Keil was operated on a year ago in the hope that it might give him relief from his illness, but since last October he has been gradually growing weaker until death came to his relief.

Yesterday Mrs. A. F. Seybert, a sister of Mr. Keil, who has been at Alpena a great deal during the last illness, received the message that the brother was much worse and she left at once with her nephew, Carl Keil, for Alpena, reaching there in time to see the brother.

Mr. Keil was born in the vicinity of Cedar Creek where his parents were long time residents and in that community he grew to manhood. He had in recent years made his home in South Dakota where he was engaged in farming.

He is survived by the widow and two children as well as three sisters and five brothers, Mrs. Phillip Tritsch of Sidney, Iowa; Mrs. Hans Schroeder of Cedar Creek; Mrs. A. F. Seybert of this city; Louis Keil of this city; William Keil and August Keil of Cedar Creek; Charles and Phillip Keil of Murray.

The funeral services for Mr. Keil will be held on Sunday at 2:30 at Alpena and the interment be made at the cemetery there.

WINS STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

The basketball team of the Lovelock, Nevada, high school has the distinction of having won the state championship at the tourney held at Reno. This team was coached by Frank Godwin, Plattsmouth young man, who has been teaching in the Nevada city for the past four years. Mr. Godwin also two years ago had the state champion football team and this year has added to his coaching laurels with the state basketball team.

Mr. Godwin is a son of Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Godwin of this city and is a graduate of the Plattsmouth high school in the class of 1925. After completing his school work he entered the teaching profession and athletics and has been very successful in his work. While in school here he was one of the outstanding football players of the local high school team.

TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

From Thursday's Daily
Bert Coleman, well known contractor, who has been in poor health for the past several years, was taken to Omaha Wednesday afternoon where he will enter a hospital. Mr. Coleman has been gradually becoming worse in recent months and it was decided that a course of treatment at the hospital was necessary. The many friends are trusting that he may find benefit in the treatment and be able to return home relieved of his sickness.

Packing Plant Great Service to the Community

Norfolk Packing Plant Serves as Source of Income for Farmers as Well as Labor Employer.

The Norfolk Packing Co., who is preparing to extend the scope of their output this year, is a real asset to the community, both as a consumer of the products of the truck farmers and as the employer of labor.

The enlarged program will offer a much wider range of packing products and which can be raised very profitably in this section of Cass county, affording a better return per acre than the grain crops have in the past few years.

The extremely fertile soil of this section affords the means of raising large crops of peas, spinach, carrots and beets as well as sweet corn which was the only crop raised here last year, making growing crops and which will bring a nice return to the land owner or renter. Beans that are used in the packing of pork and beans are raised in the less fertile sections of the state where the sandy soil is more suited to this use and where other vegetables cannot be grown as easily.

During the busy season this year the plant will be able to handle a large number of employees in the various departments as it is hoped to secure sufficient acreage that output may be increased by from thirty-three to fifty per cent.

The enlarged program will mean a great deal to everyone in this community and the company will be able to do this if the amount of vegetables needed can be supplied from the farms and small acreages in this locality as well as in western Iowa where acreage is also being secured.

CALLED ON SAD MISSION

Mr. and Mrs. Herman L. Thomas have been at Lorton, Nebraska, where they were called by the death of Joel Eaton, uncle of Mrs. Thomas and one of the best known men in that section of Otoe county. Mr. Eaton had been a resident of Lorton for the past thirty-two years and was a man loved and trusted by the townspeople to whom he was advisor and friend.

Eaton, postmaster for 20 years, village trustee, justice of the peace, druggist, station agent and holder of various other jobs, was 66.

Much sought after by villagers for his counsel, Eaton, a large man physically, found much pleasure in his various jobs.

He was born at Hamburg, Ia. His wife was Miss Claribel Green of Omaha.

In addition to his work at Lorton, he was Missouri Pacific agent at Dunbar.

PETTIT JURY DRAWN

The list of petit jurymen drawn for the April term of district court is as follows:

Plattsmouth—Alex Campbell, R. E. Doud, Tons J. Janda, Paul Ambrose, Fred Tritsch, John Alwin and Lee Nickles.
Weeping Water—Ben Rich and C. J. Fleischman.
Louisville—August Ossenkop, Wm. F. Neuman and Frank Ross.
Elmwood—Edward Earnst, August H. Bornemeier and W. H. Mendenhall.
Nehawka—E. J. Boedeker.
Murray—Lester Dill and Anderson Lloyd.
Union—Charles Atteberry.
Wabash—August H. Gehlerking.
South Bend—A. D. Zaar and Roy Brinker.
Eagle—George L. Althouse and A. W. Adams.

SHOWS SOME IMPROVEMENT

Mrs. Joseph Mrasek, who has for the past several days been suffering from pneumonia, is reported as being somewhat better at this time altho she still is very severely ill and under constant care. The patient was in very critical condition for several days but now seems to be showing some improvement and it is hoped that in the next few days she may pass the crisis of her case and be able to show a definite improvement.