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Community Club Presents Famous 'Country School'

Large Number Enjoy Offering and Makes Necessary Holding of Second Performance.

Friday evening, the Mynard Community club met in March monthly meeting. The audience was treated to remarks by County Agent Watson and Rev. H. A. McKelvey. Miss Grace Livingston led community singing.

The largest crowd in the history of the club greeted the presentation of "The Country School," a take off on Earl May's popular program of radio fame. The characters who regularly participate in the radio version of the school were faithfully portrayed by a well chosen cast. The fine work of the cast delighted the very large audience and received the highest praise from those who witnessed the first performance.

This session of "The Country School" followed closely that of the radio production, the stuttering of Georgie Spicklemier, the hard-boiled remarks of Geraldine, the male quartet, the recitation, the side-splitting poems, the spelling down, the series of short but unique plays, the songs and original parodies familiar to the radio audience of station KMA.

The Country School as a whole comprised an evening filled with song, story and hilarity seldom equalled anywhere.

The characters were as follows: George Spicklemier—Ray Born; Chauncey—Towner Livingston; Geraldine—Vivian Hild; Ole—Lawrence Leonard; Susie—Katherine Wiley; Toby—Charles Barnard; Fudge—Jeanie Cole; Pete—Noble Kiser; Skinny—Richard Livingston; David—Richard Spangler; Margaret—Olga Wiles; Earl May—Raymond Cook.

This program was a presentation of the East Side committee and was arranged and directed by Raymond Cook.

The Mynard Community club sincerely regrets that so many persons were turned away from this program because of the overflow audience.

The interest and good will of the public are genuinely appreciated and because of popular demand the Community club is pleased to announce that a second performance of "The Country School" will be given on Tuesday, April 11th. The public is cordially invited.

OLD RESIDENT HERE

From Monday's Daily
This morning Mr. and Mrs. Paul Marshall motored over from Elmwood and brought with them L. A. Tyson, prominent merchant and resident of that city. Mr. Tyson was county clerk of Cass county for two terms some thirty-two years ago and was a resident of this city with his family during the term of office. The many old friends were delighted to meet with Mr. Tyson whose visits to this city are not often and he found many of the former associates to enjoy pleasant chat for a few hours. Mr. Tyson is a brother of Mrs. Q. K. Parmelee of this city, who has for several months been quite ill.

DOUBLE WEDDING CEREMONY

At the office of County Judge A. H. Duxbury on Saturday afternoon occurred the marriage of four young Omaha people, the double wedding being celebrated by the genial county judge and the couples serving as witnesses for each other.

Miss Agnes E. Schnoor and Jim Vincel were the first couple to be wedded and followed by Miss Mary Jamieson and Ernest Houck.

Following the wedding the bridal party motored on back to the metropolis where they are to be at home to their friends.

VISIT AT OMAHA

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Reichstadt and family, also Mrs. V. Fornoff and Inga, were visitors Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Sotirhoe of Omaha. Mrs. Sotirhoe is the mother of Mrs. Reichstadt.

SHOWS SOME IMPROVEMENT

The reports from the Methodist hospital at Omaha are to the effect that Bert Coleman, of this city, is showing some slight improvement in the last few days, but is still seriously ill. Mr. Coleman is undergoing treatment and it is hoped that in the course of the next few days that the dropsical condition that Mr. Coleman has had, may be cleared up or checked. Mrs. Coleman was at Omaha Saturday and Sunday and was much pleased that the patient was showing even the slight improvement.

Assessors of the County Hold Meeting Here

Meet with County Assessor W. H. Puls and Secure Information on Work of Year.

From Monday's Daily
The various precinct assessors of Cass county were in session here this morning at the court house, meeting with County Assessor W. H. Puls and the board of county commissioners.

The assessors spent the morning in the study of the various forms used in the assessing as well as the different classification of the work and the changes in the valuations and classes of taxable property affected by the laws recently passed by the legislature.

The assessors here were: E. P. Betts, Eagle; J. H. Foreman, Alvo; John Mefford, Greenwood; Paul Marshall, Elmwood; William Bourke, Wabash; B. F. Dill, South Bend; Fred L. Carstens, Avoca; William Sheehan, Manley; August Schmidt, Louisville; Ray E. Norris, Weeping Water; Henry Ragoss, Louisville; Frank Salsburg, Cedar Creek; G. C. Hoback, Nehawka; S. W. Copenhaver, Union; Alfred Gansmer, Murray; Chris Rasmussen, Weeping Water city; George W. Snyder, Plattsmouth precinct; John A. Libershal, James Rebal, A. J. Snyder, John E. Schutz and Edward Gabelman, Plattsmouth city.

MANY IN THE CITY

Saturday was a busy time in the business section of the city as there was an unusually large number of the residents of the country districts in attending to the week end shopping. It was an occasion that kept the stores very busy for the afternoon and evening and was one of the best trading days since the holiday season.

The general feeling of optimism was apparent among the visitors to the city as to the advancing prices of the farm products, which is a matter of vital interest to this section of the west. The rise in the current price of corn and grain will bring a great relief to this part of the west and permit the increasing of the purchasing power of the farmers.

SPRING ACTIVITIES ON

The residents of the city who have yards or garden spots are the busiest that they have been for months, preparing for the coming of the spring season. The demand for seeds of all kinds and garden implements is very brisk and lawns are being raked and placed in proper shape and small garden plots are being prepared for the coming season and where vegetables of all kinds will be planted. The next two weeks should see a great many of the garden plots over the city prepared, providing that the weather conditions will permit plowing and planting.

RETURNS FROM MISSOURI

From Monday's Daily
William Kriskey, Jr., who has been working for the past several weeks at Jefferson City, Missouri, with the U. S. government on a river project, returned home last evening. Mr. Kriskey has been engaged as an engineer on one of the river boats and as the work was held up for some time he took advantage of the occasion to return home for a short visit. Mr. Kriskey states that there is every prospect for a large increase in the river work as the spring season opens up.

Junior-Senior Banquet is Now Being Planned

Will Be Held on May 13th at Legion Building and Served by St. Paul's Church Ladies

The annual Junior-Senior banquet will be held on the evening of May 13th at the American Legion building. This event is one of the outstanding events of the year for the members of the two upper classes and is always looked forward to with great pleasure. The class has made a number of economies in the cost of this affair this year so that the expense will be much less than in former years. At the same time, the arrangements of the committees indicate that the banquet will lose none of its traditional charm. The class officers who have general supervision of this event are: Mary Ann Rosencrans, president; Margaret Taylor, vice-president and Edwin Kallina, treasurer. Miss Florence Beighley is class sponsor. The class will also have the assistance of Miss Nordholm in planning the banquet.

Menus were submitted by the following organizations: Social Workers of the Methodist church; St. Mary's Guild of St. Luke's; the American Legion Auxiliary; Ladies' Aid of the Christian church and the St. John's Altar society. The committee considered each menu by number only without knowing the name of the organization submitting it. The menu submitted by the Ladies' Aid and Auxiliary of St. Paul's Evangelical church was selected.

The following are the committees who have charge of the banquet: Program—Lois Bestor, chairman; Dorothy McCarthy, Juanita Welshimer, Jack Valley.

Hall Decorations—Mary Ann Rosencrans, Joe Graves, Helen Gilmore, Inga Reichstadt, Alice Hiatt, Edwin Kallina, Miss Nordholm, Miss Beighley.

Table Decorations—Kathryn Hough, chairman; Margaret Yelick, Edward Lorenz, Gertrude Brink.

Orchestra—Gerald Kell, chairman; William Jensen, Mary Ann Hadraba.

Invitations—Margaret Taylor, chairman; Anna Margaret McCarty, Marion Fricke, Ellen Kelly.

Menu—Miss Nordholm, Luville Meisinger, James Robertson, Martha Kaffenberger, Eleanor Black.

Property—Bernard Knoftick, chairman; Edward Martin, Oliver Taylor.

TAKE PART IN CONTEST

The members of the advanced shorthand class of the commercial department of the high school, numbering some twelve were at Nebraska City the last of the week to take part in the southeast Nebraska commercial contest. The advanced class of the local school placed fourth in the contest while the contest was awarded Falls City.

The students from here who attended the contest were Mata Schackneis, Floyd Shanholz, Virginia Samek, Leona Meisinger, Marcella Rammel, Lillian Sedlak, Thyra Baumgart, Kathryn Hough, Emily Lorenz, Ruth Tait, Marion Fricke.

The meeting of the member schools was held also following the tournament and Harold Jordan of this city was named as president of the association for the ensuing year.

The contest will be held next year at either Plattsmouth or Auburn.

HAS SMALL FIRE

From Wednesday's Daily
Last evening while the first show was in operation at the Ritz theatre, a roll of film that was being used in the projecting machine caught fire and for a few moments made the booth a warm spot. The fire destroyed one reel of the feature, "They Just Had to Get Married," as well as one of the comedies that had been shown.

The projection booth being fire-proof the fire was confined to the interior of the booth and in a few moments was extinguished by the fire department.

Mr. Griffin, owner of the theatre suffered a severe burn of the right hand in closing the booth and checking the fire.

It is expected that the cleaning up will be completed in order to allow the reopening of the theatre on Thursday or Friday.

MORE SKIFFS MISSING

The piloting of skiffs from the landing near the Burlington bridge seems to be a habit, officers report. The latest one to lose a skiff is Clifford Forbes, whose 14 foot galvanized metal boat was taken Saturday. The owner of the boat was at Nebraska City and other points down the Missouri river but failed to find any trace of the boat. This is the third boat that has disappeared in the past three weeks and the owners of the craft at the dockyard are beginning to wonder whose boat will be taken next.

Glenwood Group Guests of Rotary

Local Club Holds Interesting Meeting and Address by Wayne Choate of Glenwood, Iowa.

From Tuesday's Daily
This afternoon the local Rotary club had the pleasure of having as guests a group of the business and professional men of the Iowa city. The visitors comprised Wayne Choate, editor of the Glenwood Opinion-Tribune, Dr. W. M. Plimpton, William Lugsch, Ed Hector and Rev. J. I. Brown.

The principal address of the meeting was given by Mr. Choate, who took as his subject, "Ahe the New Times Better Than the Old?" giving a very interesting review of the conditions of the present day and that of the past years.

The other members of the visiting party were introduced and gave short remarks.

The club welcomed as their high school members for April, George R. Luschinsky, senior and Lawrence Rhodes, junior, the boys being given their greeting by E. H. Wescott.

The program was one that was filled with interest for every member and proved both pleasant and profitable.

IS GIVEN SURPRISE

Mrs. E. H. Tritsch was given a very pleasant birthday surprise on Sunday evening, the event being arranged by her daughter, Mrs. Lester Meisinger. As the time for the evening meal arrived, a party of the friends from this city motored out to the Tritsch home to see that the event was fittingly observed. The evening was spent at cards and in honor of the occasion Mrs. Tritsch received a number of very attractive gifts. Those who participated in the occasion were Mr. and Mrs. L. D. McKinney, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Rice, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rice, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mullen, Mr. and Mrs. John Meien and son, Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Meisinger and daughter, Betty and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Tritsch.

John Chovanec's suit to cancel a contract with the Continental Construction company and collect damages went to trial Monday before Judge Munger at Lincoln without a jury. Chovanec claims that he gave the company the right of way over his farm near this city for a gas pipe line because its agents told him they would go across anyway and unless he signed a contract he wouldn't be paid anything. Chovanec alleges that his fields were badly damaged by ditches after the pipe line was laid and that he lost cornstalks for stock feed. Defendant's representatives told the court the company admitted the farm had been damaged and several times offered to pay \$375.

Ed Snodgrass, who has made his home here for a great many years, has returned to his farm near Thurman, Iowa, and where he will farm for the coming season. Mr. Snodgrass has not realized a great deal from the rental of his farm in the last few years and will look after its management himself this season.

The funeral services will be held on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Sattler funeral home under the auspices of Plattsmouth lodge No. 6, A. F. & A. M. of this city. The burial will be at the Oak Hill cemetery here.

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This morning shortly before noon hour, Chief of Police Joe Libershal placed under arrest William Mitchell, charging the defendant with being under the influence of liquor and also with possession, as a bottle was found on him. The defendant was turned over to the county authorities to await the filing of charges against Mr. Mitchell. The defendant was held in court until the case could be taken up by County Attorney W. G. Kleck.

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Plattsmouth Woman's Club Has Meeting

Mrs. C. A. Rosencrans, Probation Officer, Speaks on Community Responsibilities to Child.

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The Plattsmouth Woman's club met last evening at the attractive home of Mrs. W. L. Heinrich, a large number of the members being in attendance and with Mesdames James G. Mauzy, George Jaeger, John F. Wolff and Miss Ruth Colby as the hostesses of the evening.

Mrs. C. A. Rosencrans, county probation officer, gave a most interesting talk on "Community Responsibility to the Child of School Age," taking up various phases of the need of interest in the children. In her remarks she stressed the acute condition that the months of depression had brought and in which the children in many cases were the greatest sufferers.

The ladies had the pleasure also of hearing three of the young people of the high school who had been the winners at the sub-district declamatory contest at Auburn recently. The young people and their selections were Greth Garnett in the dramatic offering, "The Bishop's Candlesticks," Anna May Sandin in a clever humorous selection, "At the Photographers" and the oratorical presentation, "They Call Us Uncle Shylock," given by George Adam. The selections were splendidly given and reflected the greatest credit on the young people who will be contestants at the district meet here on April 7th.

The report of the district Women's club convention at Pawnee City was given by Mrs. E. H. Wescott and Mrs. James T. Begley, covering the work of the two day session.

The club had as the high school guests, Mary Ann Hadraba and Kathryn Hough.

At the conclusion of the evening dainty refreshments were served by the hostesses.

DIES AT MASONIC HOME

Last night at the Nebraska Masonic Home occurred the death of Robert Currah, 67, who had been a resident of the Home for the past five years. The deceased was born at Scalen, Illinois, March 2, 1866, coming to Nebraska when a young man and resided for many years in and near Syracuse, Nebraska. He was a member of Mt. Moriah lodge No. 55 of Syracuse. Mr. Currah came to the Masonic Home February 8, 1928 and had been given care there since that time.

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ENJOYS CONCERT

From Tuesday's Daily
Mrs. R. B. Hayes was at Lincoln last evening where she was one of the music lovers to enjoy the concert by Lawrence Tibbet, noted soloist. Mrs. Hayes was joined at Lincoln by her daughter, Miss Jean, who is attending Morningside college at Sioux City, Iowa. The ladies had a most delightful time and a wonderful treat in the fine program afforded. The concert was under the auspices of the Lincoln Woman's club. Miss Hayes remained in Lincoln over night as a guest of a school friend while Mrs. Hayes returned home last evening.

Judge Begley Urged for U. S. District Judge

Otoe County Bar Association to Present Claims of Judge Begley for the Woodruff Post.

A move to urge the appointment of District Judge James T. Begley to the office of United States district judge to succeed Judge J. W. Woodruff, is being started by the members of the bar of the second judicial district. The first action in support of Judge Begley was launched by the Otoe county bar association and will be followed by similar action in Cass and Sarpy counties.

Meeting Tuesday, members of the Otoe association appointed a committee of three—D. W. Livingston, W. W. Wilson and Wm. H. Pitzer—to draft and present suitable resolutions of commendation and endorsement to the president of the United States, the department of justice, Senator Norris, members of the Nebraska congressional district, James A. Farley, chairman of the democratic national committee, and others who will have a voice in the appointment of Judge Woodruff's successor, says the Nebraska City News-Press.

It was pointed out during the meeting, held at the court house, that Judge Begley has youth, health, 20 years service on the bench, and is a democrat, all of which should recommend him to the administration.

At the time the Otoe county association was meeting Cass and Sarpy county bars were preparing their endorsements of Judge Begley. Also, it was pointed out, many a Douglas county lawyer will support the second judicial district man. One condition upon which Judge Woodruff was elevated to the circuit court, it is said, was that his supporters promised not to urge the appointment of an Omaha man as his successor.

Otoe county lawyers were unanimous in their endorsement of Judge Begley, pointed to his qualifications, his capabilities as a lawyer and jurist and resolved to leave no stone unturned to impress upon the administration in Washington the advantage in having him "promoted" from a state judicial position to a place on the federal bench.

CLASS HOLDS MEETING

From Wednesday's Daily
Last evening the Young Men's Bible class of the Methodist church started on the twenty-eighth year as an organization, the yearly election of officers opening formally the year of activity.

The meeting was presided over by John E. Turner, retiring president, and opened with the song period led by Don C. York.

The officers selected were as follows: President—Roy Schwenneker. Vice-President—Don Freese York. Secretary—W. L. Heinrich. Treasurer—Ward Whelan. Song Leader—Don C. York.

The class felt very happy that they would be allowed the services of their faithful and veteran teacher, E. H. Wescott, who has been the first and only teacher that the class has had, altho at the time of organization Mr. Wescott had accepted the task but temporarily. In the long years hundreds of the young men of the community have been members of the organization.

At the close of the evening dainty refreshments were served by the committee composed of George Hall, R. C. Jahrig and W. L. Heinrich.

Typewriting-Shorthand Work in the Schools

Entire Class Shows Excellent Work and Exceeds the Required Tests for Speed and Accuracy.

Students in the typewriting and shorthand classes at the high school have made one of the best class room records of any class in this department in a number of years. Most classes have a few pupils who are outstanding but one test of the effectiveness of the work done is the spread of achievement throughout the entire class. This has been done exceptionally well by the group under Mr. Jordan this year with the result that both in shorthand and in typewriting, a large number of pupils have met or exceeded the standard requirements.

The goal set by the department is that every student in the second year class should be able to take from dictation not less than 80 words per minute in shorthand.

The following students have already attained this goal and now hold 80 word transcription certificates: Rose Woster, Amy Elliott, Ila Taylor, Vera Johnson, Margaret LaHoda, Marcella Rammel, Leona Meisinger, Max Schackneis, Ordell Hennings, Virginia Samek, Mata Schackneis, Helen Amick.

In addition to the above awards, Floyd Shanholz and Mata Schackneis have also earned 100 word-a-minute transcription certificates.

The following make an application for the 60 word transcription test in beginning shorthand: Marion Fricke and Lillian Sedlak.

The goal set in this division is the ability to write at least 60 words per minute by the end of the year.

In the advanced typewriting division, the goal has been set at 60 words a minute for which a competent typist pin is given. Virginia Samek has already achieved this award.

The following students have typed 50 words or more: Leo Sikora 53; Marcella Rammel 53 and Leona Meisinger 56.

The following students, enrolled in the beginning typewriting class, have already earned the following typewriting certificates. The goal of achievement set by this department is that every student shall be able to write at least 40 words per minute by the end of the current year.

Certificates are issued for 35 words a minute and up. Emily Lorenz 49, Thyra Baumgart 48, William Woolcott 48, Kathryn Hough 47; Florence Lancaster 42, Earl Lamber-son 42, Glen Puls, 42, Margaret Yelick 41, John Kelly 41, Frances Griffin 41, Dorothy McCarthy 40, Robert Secord 39, Barbara Spangler 38, Alice Hiatt 38, Lillian Sedlak 37, Gerald Kell 37, Lorence Rhoades 36, Edward Lorenz 36, Edgar Seitz 36.

SUFFERS SEVERE INJURY

The many friends of Gus Splitt, well known farmer of near Murray, will regret to learn that he is at the Methodist hospital at Omaha, suffering from a severe injury. Mr. Splitt was engaged in operating a corn sheller and his right arm was caught and the hand drawn into the sheller and where it was badly lacerated and mangled. The injured man was hurried to the hospital at Omaha and where it was found necessary to have the injured hand amputated. The patient is doing just as well as possible and will remain at the hospital for treatment until the hand is healed.

CALLED TO COUNCIL BLUFFS

Mrs. Justus Lillie, II, departed this morning for Council Bluffs, Iowa, where she was called by the illness of a brother. She will spend some time at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Marshall, during the illness of the brother.

RETURN FROM OMAHA

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Vandervoort and son returned home Sunday from Omaha, where they have been for a week's visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Dunn, uncle and aunt of Mr. Vandervoort.