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Senior Class is Honored by the Juniors

Colorful Banquet and Dance Saturday in Honor of the Graduating Class of 1936.

Saturday evening the American Legion community building was the scene of one of the most colorful events of the school year and the first social event that marks the near approach of the graduation time. This was the annual junior-senior banquet of the high school.

The junior class this year had arranged an unusually clever and beautiful setting for the banquet and one that represented a great deal of effort on the part of the young people.

The theme was "Tulip Time in Holland," and which was most fittingly carried out in the decorations and settings of the hall. The ceiling of the banquet hall was formed of blue and the side walls of white to make a very delightful effect in the school colors. The center of the banquet hall was occupied by a large Dutch windmill, one that really operated and made a truly Holland setting.

The mill was the work of W. F. Evers and boys of the class and was a real piece of artistry. Miniature windmills, made by members of the class were also at each place. The tables had smaller windmills and large bouquets of tulips as their decorations to add to the beauty of the scene. The nut cups were also small tulips that had been made by the girls of the class. The menu and toast list programs were arranged in the form of a wooden shoe to add to the delightful settings. At the speakers table was large bouquets of the tulips as well as a small lake with miniature boats and tiny Dutch boys and girls.

The banquet was prepared and served by the ladies of the Methodist Federation and was a real treat to the jolly party of young people. The menu was printed in Dutch in conformity with the general theme of the banquet settings.

The members of the junior class regretted very much that William Carey, general chairman, was unable to be in attendance at the banquet as he has been confined to his home by illness for the past several days.

Miss Rachel Robertson was called upon to serve as the toastmistress instead of Mr. Carey and filled this position in the most delightful manner as she presented the various guests on the speaking program and extended the welcome of the junior class to the seniors and the other guests of the evening.

The freshman class was represented by James L. Webb, who had as his topic, "Travel," and in which he expressed the viewpoint of the younger classmen. The sophomores were represented by Robert Woest in his response, "Upward Ever." Superintendent L. S. Devoe spoke for the faculty of the high school and extended the well wishes to the two upper classes of the school. Dr. P. T. Heineman, who is retiring from the board of education, gave the greetings from the board to the young people. The response for the seniors was given by Joe Hendrix, who very ably expressed the appreciation of the class for the very pleasant time arranged for them and the happy associations of the school years now drawing to a close. Miss Robertson for the juniors closed the toast list with "Success" and greetings to the departing seniors.

Following the banquet the young people enjoyed a dancing party and which was an innovation over the past years, this being sponsored by the school and the dancers confined to the young people of the junior and senior classes and their invited friends. The method of handling the dance met with the warmest approval from the young people as well as the sponsors of the dance.

The committees of the class that arranged the banquet was headed by William Carey as general chairman, until his illness. The other committees were:

Program—Earl Taylor, chairman; Harriet Goos, Jack Forbes, Mildred Knoffleek.

Hall Decorations—William Carey, chairman; Alice Hirz, Charlotte Jasper, Betty Kalina, Charles Bennett, Marjorie Tidball, Margaret Will, George Hobscheidt, John Gayer,

Vernon Taplett, Mary Jane Mark. Table Decorations—Rachel Robertson, chairman; Della Solomon, Norris Hennings, Jeanette Hirz, Dale Bowman, Billy Evers.

Orchestra—Elva Olson, chairman; Dick Hatt, R. Lancaster. Invitations—Genevieve Bloom, chairman; Betty McCarty, Edna Black, Cathryn Anthes, Mary Kay Wiles, Joan Moore.

Menu—Edna Mae Peterson, chairman; Rosemary Stander, Ruth Newland, Vivian Terryberry, Jacquelyn Grassman.

Property—Max Seitz, chairman; Wayne Falk, Richard Yelick, Elmer Newton, Bob Vallery.

The juniors have been most fortunate in having as their sponsors, Miss Florence Beighley and Mr. Lumir Gerner, who have been untiring in their work with the class and had a large part in the planning of the successful banquet.

Death of James Fitzgerald Occurs Sunday Morning

Passes Away from Attock of Heart Trouble at Farm West of Mynard—Funeral Wednesday.

James Fitzgerald, 80, died suddenly on Sunday morning at the Edward Fitzgerald farm home west of Mynard, where he has made his home for the past five years. Mr. Fitzgerald has suffered from heart trouble for the past thirty years but has been able to look after his usual activities. Sunday he had gone to the basement of the home to look after some daily tasks and a short time later, William Fitzgerald, a nephew, who had been separating the morning milking, entered the basement and found his uncle sitting in a chair and he had apparently died very suddenly.

Mr. Fitzgerald was born on Aug. 12, 1856, at Prophetstown, Illinois, one of a family of ten children, of whom but one now survives, a brother, Frank Fitzgerald of Falluris, Texas. The members of the family moved later to the west and Mr. Fitzgerald has more or less made his home here for the past fifty years, locating for some years with his brother in Texas. On the death of his brother, Edward Fitzgerald, some five years ago, he came back to Cass county and has lived with the family of the deceased brother on their farm.

He is survived by the one brother in Texas, as well as his sister-in-law, Mrs. Edward Fitzgerald, three nephews and two nieces who reside here, Mrs. Robert Will, Miss Marie Fitzgerald and Edward, William and Bradley Fitzgerald.

The body was taken to the Horton funeral home at Seventh and Vine streets and where friends may call for a farewell any time after Tuesday afternoon.

FUNERAL OF JOHN RENNIE

The funeral services for the late John W. Rennie were held on Saturday afternoon at the Sattler funeral home at Fourth and Vine streets. A group of the old time friends were in attendance to pay their last tributes to the friend of so many years ago.

The body arrived in Omaha Saturday morning from Tonapah, Nevada, and was brought on to this city for the last rites.

Dr. H. G. McClusky of the First Presbyterian church, conducted the services and brought words of comfort to the sorrowing relatives and friends.

Mrs. J. R. Reeder and Mr. Frank A. Cloidt gave two of the old loved songs as a duet, "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" and "The Touch of His Hand on Mine." Miss Estelle Baird was the accompanist.

The interment was at Oak Hill cemetery and the pall bearers were from among the old time friends, John Bajack, J. E. McMaken, A. J. Snyder, E. H. Schulhof, James Rebal and L. D. Hiatt.

VISITS WITH OLD FRIENDS

Sunday, N. P. Schultz, former resident of this city, with his daughter, Mrs. Harry Bethel and family, motored down from Omaha to enjoy a short time here visiting with the Carl Ohlschlager family and Mrs. Florence Coleman, as well as the many old time friends.

VISITS IN IOWA

Mrs. Charles Long of near Pacific Junction, was in the city Saturday to visit with relatives and friends and on her return home was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Hattie Kirker. Mrs. Kirker will spend a short time on the farm with the daughter and family.

Plattsmouth Woman's Club Holds Banquet

Large Number Attend the Gathering at Fellowship Room of Presbyterian Church.

The annual banquet of the Plattsmouth Woman's club was held Monday evening in the Fellowship room of the First Presbyterian church, which had been transformed for the occasion into a bower of beauty, the colors of the club, purple and white, being carried out in streamers, while large baskets of lilacs and tulips were placed through the rooms and as decorations of the tables, lending their charm to the scene.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church had prepared a delicious menu which was served in the usual charming manner to the club members and their guests. The menu was as follows:

Grape Ice
Chicken a la King
French Noodles
Potatoes Half Shell
Tiny Green Beans
Molded Spring Salad
Tulip Radishes
Tea Rolls - Marmalade
Maybaskets
Coffee

Group singing was enjoyed by the members of the banquet party, Mrs. Robert Reed serving as the song leader.

Mrs. William Baird, club president, presided and in her gracious manner presented the honor guests and the club officers, these including Mayor and Mrs. George Lushinsky, Mrs. J. A. J. Imerson, the first district president and Mr. Imerson, of Auburn; Mrs. Lawrence Meisinger, county president and Mr. Meisinger, of Union; Dr. William Thompson, speaker of the evening and Mrs. Thompson, of Omaha; the officers of the Plattsmouth club and committee chairmen as well as the past presidents, Mrs. J. F. Gorder and Mrs. Robert Reed.

A very much enjoyed program had been arranged for the evening and which comprised a piano duet by Mrs. L. S. Devoe and Mrs. R. W. Knorr, as well as the colorful and charming dance of the maypole and which was carried out by a group of charming little girls, Donna Mason, Delores Ruse, Bonnie Walters and Joan Trout.

Dr. Thompson, a member of the faculty of Municipal University at Omaha, gave a very interesting and educational address that was much appreciated by the ladies and all of the banquet party. From his experiences and observations in his teachings he was able to present many interesting facts and which were supplemented by many press comments on the world's progress and events.

The newly elected officers of the club were then installed, they being: Mrs. William Baird, president; Mrs. L. S. Devoe, vice-president; Miss Georgia White, recording secretary; Mrs. William Heinrich, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Louis Ward Egenberger, treasurer.

Mrs. J. Imerson served as installing officer.

The occasion was one that all will long remember as one of the most delightful of the club banquets and fittingly marks the close of the club year.

VISITS IN THE CITY

Miss Dorothy Farmer, who is a student at the University of Nebraska, was a visitor here over the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Farmer. She had as her guest, Miss Doris Yost of Harvard, Nebraska, a classmate. Sunday Mrs. Farmer entertained at a family dinner in honor of the visiting guests, Miss Yost, Miss Ruth Schubert of Springfield and Max McCaney, of Lincoln. The party motored back to Lincoln in the evening to resume their studies at the university.

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The unknown young man who was killed Monday night in the Burlington yards at Pacific Junction, has been identified as Charles Schwastka, of Nashville, Nebraska. The dead man is a brother of Marion Schwastka, a former resident of Plattsmouth, where he was engaged in shop work prior to the strike. In addition to Marion Schwastka, he is survived by his father, Charles, of Nashville, brothers, Clifford, Francis of Omaha, John, Portland, Oregon and Harry and Joe at home.

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HAVE SERIOUS FIRE

The residence of Dr. T. P. Livingston on North Sixth street was discovered on fire Sunday morning shortly before 10 o'clock and the fire was gotten under control only after a hard fight by the firemen. The fire apparently originated under the roof of the structure and was discovered burning at the northwest corner of the house. It was necessary to chop into the roof and use a great deal of water before the spread of the fire could be checked and the house saved from destruction. The loss to the residence and contents will amount to a great deal.

Board of Education Organizes for the Coming Year

J. A. Capwell, President, R. W. Knorr, Vice-President, Frank A. Cloidt Renamed as Secretary.

From Tuesday's Daily: The board of education met last evening at the high school building for the purpose of organizing for the coming year.

Miss Marie E. Kaufmann, elected as a new member of the board to succeed Dr. P. T. Heineman, was seated as was R. W. Knorr, re-elected at the spring election and these two will enter at once on their three year term of office.

The officers of the board were selected also, J. A. Capwell being elected as the president of the board for the ensuing year, R. W. Knorr as vice-president and Frank A. Cloidt re-elected as secretary of the board, a position he has held for several years.

The members will be assigned to the various committee posts at once and take up their duties for the year.

The board voted to have Lee Knolle who has been interested in the musical work in the junior high the past season, take charge of the direction of the high school as well as grades with the assistance of the teachers. The position of music supervisor, held by Hoyt Griffin the past two years, is not being filled at present.

HERE FROM WEST COAST

From Monday's Daily: Last evening an auto party of former Plattsmouth residents arrived here from the west to visit with their relatives and old friends in this city and vicinity. The party comprised Carl Sattler, Mrs. Thomas Walling, Sr., Miss Mary Margaret Walling and Miss Mary McHugh of Los Angeles. On the way east they stopped at Cheyenne, Wyoming, where they were joined by Mrs. Clara Tritley Coe, who accompanied them on to Plattsmouth. Mrs. Walling and daughter and sister, will visit here, Omaha, Falls City and Murdock while Mr. Sattler is visiting at the John P. Sattler home and Mrs. Coe with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Tritley, her parents.

TO ATTEND TRACK MEET

Coach Fred A. Rothert is planning on taking several of the local high school students to Ashland on Friday where they are to compete in the invitation meet at that place. While the material for track has not been as large as in past years there are several of the veterans of last year and some new prospects that look good and will be used. The coach is planning on taking Earle Taylor, javelin and discus; Max Seitz, shot put; Robert Vallery, javelin and discus for the field sports and Keith Taylor and Harry Stodola for several of the track events including the half mile.

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Murray Boys Have Wild Trip in Automobile

Gerald Noel, 13 and Harold Noel, 10, Take Car from This City and Wreck at Lincoln.

Monday while Peter Gradoville was engaged in his clerical work at the public library building, some person proceeded to appropriate his car, a 1930 Chevrolet that he had parked near the library building.

The loss was discovered at the noon hour when Mr. Gradoville came out to start home for lunch. The loss was reported at once to Sheriff Homer Sylvester, who started a search for the car and had a broadcast made for the missing car from the office of the state sheriff at Lincoln.

Monday afternoon shortly after 3:30 the car was reported from Lincoln where it was found in the possession of two young boys who had wrecked the car and were found on the scene of the accident by Lincoln police officers, Cass Sylvester, deputy sheriff, motored to Lincoln and found that the car had been taken by Gerald Noel, 13, and Harold Noel, 10, both of Murray.

The two lads had started on a wild adventure and had left home Sunday without advising their parents of their departure or their destination. They had slept all night Sunday in a culvert along the highway and Monday morning they had arrived in Plattsmouth and discovered in their inspection of the cars parked near the court house, that the car of Mr. Gradoville had the keys in it, they appropriated the car and started to go places.

The car was badly damaged as the boys claimed to have crashed into a post in Lincoln and broken the bumpers and fenders and also jimmied up the handles on the doors.

The boys are being held at home owing to their tender age, awaiting the decision as to what will be best to do with them.

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DIES AT OMAHA

Emil Kahoutek, 50, Omaha engraver and a former resident of Plattsmouth, shot himself in the head at his home in that city, Saturday night. He was hurried to a hospital when the tragedy was discovered by the members of the family, but died shortly afterwards. He has been in poor health for some time and this is thought to be the cause for his rash act. The tragedy came as a great blow to all of the members of the family. There is surviving the wife, Marie, two daughters, Catherine and Margaret; three brothers, James of Omaha, Joseph of Denver and Timothy of Plattsmouth and one sister, Mrs. Anna McCarty, of Los Angeles.

Brinn-Jensen Co. Appealing Porter Case

Contend Traveling Man Burned to Death South of Union, Not Under Liability Act at the Time.

The state supreme court Tuesday was asked to set aside a compensation court award to Mrs. Maude W. Porter, widow of J. Ray Porter, who was killed in an automobile accident nine miles north of Nebraska City on February 21, 1935, for the reason, among others, that Porter allegedly was intoxicated at the time of the accident.

The Brinn-Jensen company, for whom Porter was a salesman, contended in an appeal brief filed with the court that Porter could not be considered to have been following his employment when the car in which he was riding collided with one occupied by Varro E. Tyler and Lloyd E. Peterson, Nebraska City attorneys.

Porter was riding with Porter, who was riding with Porter, was killed in the accident.

The state compensation court, after first denying Mrs. Porter any compensation, gave her a rehearing and awarded her \$15 a week for 350 weeks, a burial allowance and attorney's fees for rehearing. This decision was sustained by District Judge D. W. Livingston. It was from the district court that the Brinn-Jensen company and the American Employers' Insurance company appealed.

They also contended Porter was not an employee of the company within the meaning of the workmen's compensation act and that Porter was guilty of willful negligence.

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