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Nebraska City Chapter Hostess to Eastern Star

Plattsmouth Is One of Nine Guest Groups Attending Annual Picnic at Arbor Lodge Sunday.

Queen Esther Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star of Nebraska City was host at a picnic held in Arbor Lodge Sunday, August 30. Chapters invited and represented were Auburn, Julian, Brownville, Weeping Water, Omaha, Lincoln, Nehawka, Humbolt, and Plattsmouth.

Arthur Barstler, Worthy Patron, acted as master of ceremonies and gave the address of welcome. Response was made by Mrs. Grace Annis of Omaha. Miss Addie Chandler, acting Worthy Matron of the Queen Esther chapter, greeted those present and expressed her pleasure at the number who had accepted the invitation.

Z. Tyler, a past Patron of the chapter, explained the origin of the Eastern Star. He commented that this picnic each year is held on or near the birthday of Robert Morris who was responsible for its founding. It is also significant that the limbs of the cottonwood trees, near which the annual picnic is held, when bisected at the joints, reveal a perfect star. These sections were given to visitors as souvenirs.

Worthy Matrons, Mrs. Cressie Niel of Plattsmouth, and Mrs. Helen Hosterman of Auburn; and Worthy Patron, Mr. Hosterman of Brownville, were called upon for short addresses. All chapters were recognized as well as past officers of Nebraska City.

Worthy Grand Officers, present and past, who were called upon for short talks were, W. S. Cochran of Auburn, Rose M. Owens and Grace Annis of Omaha; Golda Wiles of Plattsmouth, and Frona Van Andel of Lincoln. Mrs. Van Andel expressed her pleasure for the opportunity of again being supervisor for the Queen Esther chapter. Miss Tyler of Nebraska City gave readings. The enjoyable meeting was closed by the song, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again" and invocation by Mrs. Frona Van Andel.

Those who attended from Plattsmouth were: Mr. and Mrs. George Lushinsky, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Siel, Mrs. Hettie Larson, Mrs. Fred Barkus and daughters, Helen and Betty, Mrs. Golda Wiles, Mrs. Edna Schutz, and Mrs. Florence Coleman.

POLICE COURT HAPPENINGS

Saturday night Officer Roy Stewart took into custody Arthur McNear, who claimed his residence as the camp north of the city, a charge of intoxication being filed against the man. The camp authorities have established the rule that the residents who indulge to an extent that involves them with the law are automatically on their way out of the camp.

W. Hendrickson was another of the indulgers in the flowing bowl that fell into the hands of the police and escorted to the city jail to await the action of the courts.

Officer Jarvis Lancaster took into custody on Saturday John Witter, of south of this city, who had accumulated too much of intoxicating beverages and was taken over to the city jail. He was later released on a bond to appear today to answer to the charges.

This morning in the police court, Judge C. L. Graves turned the matter of the punishment of the two camp men to the authorities. Witter was given a fine of \$10 and costs, amounting to \$13.50 which he settled and was released.

INELIGIBILITY HITS OTEANS

That old jinx of ineligibility seems to be threatening the opening period of the Nebraska City high school football season and Coach Oslan finds some of the last year lettermen on this list.

Sam Martin, a sensational sophomore back of last year, Tom Beatty guard, and Bob Belcher, a fine prospect for center, are among those who are faced with the task of qualifying scholastically before the season is underway.

RESIGNS SCHOOL POST

Miss Lillian Garrett, who has been one of the most efficient members of the teaching force of the city schools, has resigned her position as teacher of art in the junior and high schools. The resignation of Miss Garrett will be very much regretted by the patrons of the city schools as she has been here for several years and under her supervision the art work has been highly recognized.

Miss Garrett is quitting the local post for a position in the Omaha school system, a well deserved promotion in the teaching profession for this very capable teacher.

Red Cross Class in First Aid to Open Here Soon

Dr. R. P. Westover, Local Physician, Will Give Instruction Free of Charge—Meet Each Week.

A Red Cross First Aid training course is to be offered to persons in Plattsmouth and surrounding community. Dr. R. P. Westover, local physician, will give instruction in the treatment of injuries or ailments until a specialist can be called. Classes will meet in the evenings once a week and follow a course of study sent out from National Red Cross headquarters. The class period will consist of oral quiz and lecture periods upon things to do and not to do until a physician arrives. At the close of the fifteen weeks of instruction, an examination will be given. The five phases covered in the final will be: practical problems, method of handling hemorrhage, artificial respiration, written quizzes, and class work.

Classes will be opened within the next two weeks. Instruction will be free of charge and a small fee will be charged for books. Persons wishing to take the course must be over seventeen years of age. Anyone interested in taking the work should talk with Ed Ofe of Plattsmouth. Dr. Westover taught a class in first aid in Mynard several years ago but this is the first year Plattsmouth has had the opportunity to take the course. As yet, this community is the only one in Cass county offering the work.

While the work is outlined as a practical course for home emergencies, its completion with a passing standing in the final examination, also qualifies persons for Red Cross first aid station service.

WILL VISIT IN WASHINGTON

From Tuesday's Daily: Con Lynch, wife and daughter, Dorothy, departed today for the west coast where they expect to enjoy an extended visit with relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nason and daughter, Mrs. Nason a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lynch, departed Monday for Yakima, Washington, where the family will be joined the last of the week. They are to visit with Mrs. Harry Demoss and Mrs. A. Demoss, sisters of Mr. Lynch and also with an aunt of Mr. Nason. They will make a visit to the various points of interest in that part of the west while there.

VISIT AT COUNTRY HOME

Mrs. Otto Norris and children, George and Sharon Lee, of Chicago, have spent the past week visiting at the country home of Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Siemonet, near Cullom, Mrs. Norris being a sister of Mrs. Siemonet.

The two children, nine and five years of age respectively, made the trip to Omaha alone on the Burlington Zephyr six weeks ago to visit the relatives in this section. Mrs. Norris came out to join the children the past week.

RETURN FROM OUTING

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Koukal and family returned Saturday evening from a motor trip to the west where they visited at Cody and other points in Wyoming. They had a very pleasant time and had the opportunity of seeing a great deal of the mountain country.

New Courses Popular Among School Entrants

340 High School Students Select Fall Classes During Registration Period.

340 students have registered for the fall term in the Plattsmouth high school. The senior class, with 79 enrolled, promises to be the largest for some time and probably in the history of the school. 76 will be juniors and 92 sophomores. 93 have registered to enter as freshmen.

German, a new course in the system, has a heavy registration. It is to be taught by Miss Estelle Baird. Supt. Devoe attributes the large registration to the feeling that German will be more practical for the average Cass county student than Latin.

Typewriting has drawn the largest registration in the history of the school. A definite trend is seen toward commercial subjects this fall. Another of the large classes is freshman Home Economics. 33 have enrolled for the course. A fine group also plans to enter the debate class. The school will join the state debating association this year.

Glee club entries show a promise for a successful year. The class has been placed in the regular schedule this year and a half credit will be given each semester for the work. 58 girls and 35 boys have entered.

The six-period plan will be continued this year. This system was found to be very successful in the school last year.

Superintendent L. S. Devoe announces that he will be in his office from 9 to 11 a. m. each day this week. Those who were unable to register on days assigned may register during those hours.

DOUBLE WEDDING AT AVOCA

A double wedding ceremony was held in the North Branch community Wednesday, August 26th. Miss Clara Berner was united in marriage to Walter Rich of Palmyra and Miss Gladys Berner became the wife of Art Koester, son of the late Fred Koester of Avoca. The brides are daughters of Fred Berner.

Attendants to the brides were sisters, Misses Viola and Ruth Berner. Brothers of the bridegrooms acted as best men.

Double ring ceremonies closed the nuptial vows. The brides were dressed in white satin.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at Syracuse. Both couples will take up farming west of Avoca.

On Sunday, August 23, Mrs. Otto Stult gave a fruit and vegetable shower in honor of the brides. They were recipients of many useful gifts.

RETURN FROM SOUTHERN TRIP

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Richey and Mrs. Clark returned from their trip to Oklahoma and Texas Sunday evening. The family visited at the Beveridge home in Tulsa, Okla. While there Mr. Richey drove out to the bituminous coal fields. He remarks that he was surprised at the great amounts of fine grade of coal taken from the fields near Tulsa. The beds lie twenty feet below the surface.

Mr. and Mrs. Richey went from Tulsa to Dallas where they visited C. A. Richey. While there they spent several days at the Texas Centennial. They also spent a day at the Fort Worth fair and visited with their niece in Fort Worth.

SHOWS SOME IMPROVEMENT

C. Lawrence Stull, gravely ill for the past week at his farm home northwest of the city, showed some improvement late Saturday and Sunday and was resting the best that he has for several days past. Mr. Stull has been very ill and late Saturday afternoon reports of his passing away were rumored but an investigation proved that they were unfounded. Mr. Stull however is still in a very critical condition and the outcome of his case one of the gravest doubt.

Phone news items to No. 6.

RETURN FROM OUTING

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Wiles returned Saturday from a very pleasant outing in the west and which has taken them over a very large section of the country. They spent some time at Estes Park, Colorado, during the greater part of the heated period, later motoring to Laramie, Wyoming and the Medicine Bow reservation where they found much of interest. On the return they stopped at Torrington and Cheyenne, Wyoming and thence through Scottsbluff home. They found the country in that part of west Nebraska suffering from the effects of the extreme heat and drought.

Musical Treat will Feature the 1936 Coronation

King and Queen of Fall Festival Will Have Large Symphony Orchestra to Give Proper Setting.

When the king and queen of the 1936 King Korn Carnival are crowned on the opening night of the festival, Wednesday, September 23, it will be to the strains of a musical program arranged by a group of the leading musicians of Omaha.

The committee in charge of this feature of the fall festival has secured the services of the WPA orchestra of Omaha, to furnish the proper settings.

This orchestra is comprised of from forty to forty-five of the musicians of Omaha, a large part of these being members of the Omaha symphony orchestra, one of the finest musical organizations of the west and who have been engaged in the developing of this orchestra for the past several months.

This is going to be a real artistic treat to the music lovers of the community and a striking note in the coronation ceremonies.

The opportunity to secure this orchestra was afforded by William Meyers, state director of this part of the WPA program and comes here to the Plattsmouth festival for only the costs of the transportation to and from the city.

CLUB NEWS

Cooler weather during the past few days has made small afternoon gatherings very pleasant.

Mrs. Russel Koonz entertained two tables of bridge yesterday afternoon. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. E. J. Richey, Mrs. J. V. Oliver, Mrs. Neville Hadson, and Mrs. Robert Jess.

The pinochle club, with eight players, met with Mrs. John Schutz Tuesday. Mrs. Henry Ofe held high score for the afternoon. Mrs. Schutz was assisted by her daughter, Mrs. Earl Mrasek, and Miss Clara Mrasek of Murray.

Mrs. Helen Gansemer and Miss Marie Horn took prizes at the meeting of the contract bridge club yesterday. Mrs. Herman Tiekotter was hostess to two tables.

Another contract bridge group was entertained at the home of Mrs. Lon Henry last evening. Mrs. Walter Tritsch won first and Mrs. Richard Beverage, second prize.

FUNERAL OF MRS. BATES

The funeral of the late Mrs. Susan Bates was held on Tuesday afternoon at the Sattler funeral home at Fourth and Vine streets and very largely attended by the many old friends and associates to pay their last tributes to her memory.

The Rev. V. C. Wright of the First Methodist church, had charge of the service and brought the words of comfort to the family and old friends in the departure of the mother and grandmother, whose long and useful life had covered a period of eighty-six years.

During the services Mrs. E. H. Wescott and Mrs. Hal Garnett gave two of the old and loved hymns and which had been favorites of the deceased. "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" and "Shall We Gather at the River."

The interment was at the Oak Hill cemetery where the husband is in the last long rest.

Shrader Reunion Held at Old Homestead of Family

Members of Prominent Group in Cass County Meet at Farm Where Parents First Settled.

The third annual reunion of the members of the Shrader family was held on Sunday, August 23 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wolfe, southeast of Murray, which is the old homestead of the family and where the children spent the happy years of childhood. Many years ago the parents had located there and the gathering of their descendants there for the reunion brought many recollections of the carefree days of youth and the shadows of life's more somber moments.

Of the children of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Shrader, now deceased, there were two of the sons and three of the daughters in attendance at the reunion. Robert and Homer Shrader, Mrs. Georgia, Creamer, Mrs. Lulu Wolfe and Mrs. Verne Rhoden. One son, J. D. Shrader of Chelsea, Mass., and two daughters, Mrs. Jennie Klimm and Mrs. Alma Yardley, were unable to be present.

There were a large number of the younger generations of the family present to add to the delights of the reunion and participating in the program that had been arranged.

The day was beautified by the picnic dinner which embraced all that one could wish and which was served in cafeteria style.

After the dinner had been served, Mrs. J. C. Burk, of Onawa, Iowa, presented a very enjoyable program which was participated in by the little great nephews and nieces and Mrs. Forrest Shrader of Herman, Nebraska.

The next annual reunion will be held with Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Shrader at their home at Herman, Nebraska, the third Sunday in August being the date and all of the members of the family circle are looking forward to the pleasant event next year.

Those attending the reunion were: Mrs. Isabel Gerlack and children, David and Georgiann, of North Bend, Nebraska; Mr. and Mrs. Don Rhoden, Mrs. Georgia Creamer, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Shrader and children, Bobby, Marilyn, Yvonne, of Herman, Nebraska; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Yardley, and children, Helen, Lula, Janice, Plattsmouth; Mr. and Mrs. Homer Shrader, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Burk, Onawa, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. Glen Kaffenberger, Robert Shrader, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Rhoden and son, Shrader Rhoden.

APPEALS CASE

Richard Glassmeyer of Otoe county, charged with injuring Mrs. Verner Markel in an assault and battery case and adjudged to pay the woman's husband \$1,250 damages, has appealed to the supreme court. The case was tried twice before it was taken on a change of venue to Cass county upon request of Markel. A jury in Cass county returned the verdict. Markel alleged the assault upon his wife occurred Feb. 5, 1934. Glassmeyer alleged the woman first assaulted him and would have broken his glasses which he wore at the time had he not defended himself. He alleged any injuries she received were due to her own acts, and he merely defended himself.

ALVO CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL

Activities in the Alvo Consolidated school will begin Saturday morning when a faculty meeting will be conducted by Superintendent L. M. Hauptman. All teachers are required to be present at which time the plans and policies for the coming year are presented in a teachers bulletin.

Classes will begin on Monday morning at 8:40. School will be in session only a half day on Monday with dismissal taking place at noon. Faculty members will have the afternoon to complete their plans for the beginning of school and patrons and children will have an opportunity of attending the State Fair.

TAKE OVER NEW BUSINESS

From Tuesday's Daily: This morning the management of the Moffitt cafe changed when Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Stepanek of Omaha formally took over the operation of the affairs of the cafe. The new owners are planning on giving the residents of the community a strictly up to date cafe in every respect and will conduct the usual hours that it has been operated by Mr. Moffitt.

Mrs. Stepanek will be in charge of the restaurant as Mr. Stepanek is engaged in work in Omaha and will drive back and forth from this city to his work.

New Indexing Simplifies Check on Past Records

Workers in Court House Complete WPA Project in Cataloguing Old Documents.

A W.P.A. project in the court house has been completed that will prove of inestimable value to the past and present residents of Cass county. Records of estates, guardianships and adoptions have been refiled and indexed. It is now possible for a person who is interested in a particular probate record to simply look in the index and find the material within a few minutes. Under the old haphazard method, many hours may have proved futile.

A. H. Duxbury, county judge, has seen the need for revising the files for some time. Through his efforts helpers were first secured under the C.W.A. The work was completed by W.P.A. workers.

The great confusion in the arrangement of the records has been due to the fact that the cases were originally entered in the probate record book according to the day the case was taken up. Several weeks or even months may have passed before the estate was closed. Thus there may be as many as a dozen entries of the same estate. The old documents had simply been stuffed into boxes and listed only according to box number. In each of the boxes may have been documents belonging to as many as fifty different persons.

It was almost impossible to locate materials needed. All of the documents were taken from the boxes by the workers, laid in piles, and collected. New manuscript covers have been placed on the original documents, they have been numbered, indexed, and all those belonging to one estate placed in one envelope. The index locates the references according to the case numbers, fee book entries, estate and probate records.

Another addition is the card, placed with each document. Whenever papers are taken from the files, the card is left in the office, thus an accurate check may be made on location of borrowed manuscripts.

Official records in the office began with the estate of Samuel Martin June 9, 1885. Many had to be re-copied. The two workers, under the supervision of County Judge A. H. Duxbury, began under the C.W.A. The project was completed under W.P.A.

Persons who wish a clear title to property will probably benefit most by the change. When a short form probate is desired, the complete records, if on file, may be located quickly and the expense and time required for public notices will be eliminated in many cases.

At the present time all records are kept in temporary files until the case is complete then placed together in permanent files.

VISIT RELATIVES HERE

From Monday's Daily: This morning Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Vallery and Mike Wurga, Sr., father of Mrs. Vallery, motored down from their home at Havelock for a visit with the relatives and friends in the old home town. They were accompanied by Mrs. John Bednar of Sheridan, Wyoming, and Joe Wurga of Washington, D. C., who have been visiting at Havelock. The members of the party had the pleasure of meeting a number of the old friends while here.

Stohlman Reunion at Louisville Sunday

Over 150 Descendants of Pioneer Family Meet for Annual Event at Kraft's Grove.

On Sunday at the Kraft's grove south of Louisville there gathered some 150 of the members of the Stohlman family, representatives of one of the oldest family groups in that section of Cass county.

These were descendants of the late Frederick P. and wife, Kunigunde Schoememann Stohlman. This estimable couple were natives of Germany, the father coming to the United States in 1850 and his wife in 1854. They were married at Watertown, Wisconsin, May 15, 1859. Shortly after their marriage the young couple decided to seek a home in the west and accordingly made the long journey to Nebraska by ox team. The journey was one filled with many hardships and the dangers of travel overland in those early days. They spent a few days with friends at Plattsmouth and then continued on to their homestead south of Louisville, the farm now being occupied by Mr. and Mrs. August C. Stohlman. The first winter they made their home with Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Blessington, later moving to the farm home where they lived for many years.

The family reunion was marked by the serving of a delightful picnic dinner which provided a wonderful array of viands to provide the proper setting for the opening of the reunion.

Following the dinner the business session was held, presided over by Andrew Stohlman, of Lincoln, president of the association, Mrs. Martha Stohlman was secretary and Leroy Stohlman, of Lincoln, the treasurer of the association.

The new officers for the year were Andrew Stohlman, re-elected president; Ivan Althouse, Alvo, secretary; Mrs. Harold Dumke, of Louisville, treasurer.

The report of the secretary showed that in the past year there had been four births in the family and no deaths were reported, the cause of a great deal of happiness to all.

The 1937 meeting will be in the parlors of the Immanuel Lutheran church where many of the family have been attendants.

CAPTURE SHOPLIFTER

Monday afternoon a clerk in the Michaelson variety store at Weeping Water noticed a customer acting rather suspiciously and he was finally detected in the act of storing several pair of silk stockings on his person. The matter was reported and the man arrested and turned over to Deputy Sheriff Cass Sylvester to be brought to this city.

A search of the man developed the fact that he had six pair of ladies silk hose on his person that he had taken from the store. He gave the name of Archie Douglas and his residence as Omaha.

This morning Douglas was arraigned in the county court before Judge A. H. Duxbury and made a plea of guilty to the charge as preferred by County Attorney W. G. Kieck. The court gave Douglas a sentence of fifteen days in the county jail and to pay the costs of the prosecution.

DRUM CORP GOES TO LINCOLN

The Plattsmouth Junior drum and bugle corps will go to Lincoln again this year for the Veterans' day program at the state fair next Sunday, arrangements for the trip being completed today by telephone. Adequate expense money and a chance at some additional prize money for the best competing junior corps is offered.

All war veterans and drum corps and band members will be admitted to the fair free Sunday.

Roy Holly, who is playing with the Omaha post Legion band will also go to Lincoln that day to appear in the parade with that organization.

The drum corps from here will appear in their white trousers and red capes, used in former Korn Carnival parades here.