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Discuss Many Subjects at Civic Body Meeting

Chamber of Commerce Has Nearly a Full Attendance of Directors—Aid Air Mail Week

From Friday's Daily—Twenty-five attended the bi-weekly luncheon of the Chamber of Commerce directorate at the dining room of the Stewart cafe yesterday. Mr. Hillman, a new groceryman in the city was present and was introduced to the members.

The business session brought up a number of matters for action and others for discussion.

A resolution approved by the executive board to support the Missouri Pacific's request for truck-line license before the state railway commission was endorsed. The line has been in operation for some time, but under the new trucking law must show necessity before it can be licensed to continue. It is engaged only in transporting freight from depots to points along the line between Omaha and Falls City, and does not engage in regular commercial hauling for individuals. Besides furnishing some additional employment to drivers, it speeds up local freight service.

Considerable discussion was had of the fourth annual Chemurgic conference to be held in Omaha April 25-26-27. Nationally known speakers are on the program with addresses of interest to industries, agriculture and science. Four of the local directorate signified their intention of attending at least one of the three days.

George Hetrick spoke on the grasshopper meeting to be held at Weeping Water tonight, when plans will be discussed for the early eradication of these pests this year, before they get a head start.

Discussion was also had of the inequalities in trucking rates under the new law and the handicap they will put on Nebraska industries. It was shown that local industrial products could be shipped interstate to some Iowa point and then back to Omaha cheaper than direct shipment from here to Omaha under the proposed rates. Also that canned goods could be trucked from points in central Iowa to Grand Island and points west of there for less than the proposed rate from Plattsmouth.

Unless proper adjustment can be made, Mr. Bernhardt, Norfolk Packing company superintendent said, his company would have to seek a new location outside the state. All were agreed it was futile to advertise Nebraska as the white spot for industrial expansion and then put such a handicap on them as it was claimed the proposed trucking rates will do. Nebraska industries are united in an effort to secure a readjustment of rates.

Suggests Planting Trees

A tree planting program to replace the many that have been cut down or died was suggested. T. H. Pollock offered to set aside an acre of his land along the Missouri river as a nursery site for the city to use in the growing of trees to be reset when of sufficient size along the streets and avenues and in the parks or sold by the city to property owners at the cost of propagation.

National Air Mail Week

Postmaster Frank L. Cummins was present and spoke on Air Mail week, May 15 to 19, when business men and citizens are urged to send their letters via air mail. This is in commemoration of the 20th anniversary of the establishment of air mail service in the United States in 1918.

If a landing field can be found in this locality (anywhere within a radius of one to five miles of Plattsmouth) pick-up service will be established here on May 19, and letters will be specially postmarked as the first air mail ever sent direct from Plattsmouth post office.

The matter was referred to the Publicity committee and approval was given for the small expense that might be involved in having a plane stop here.

Anyone having a suitable field that will be available for landing on

that date is urged to get in touch with Postmaster Cummins, so the further arrangements can be made.

Boys' State Project

Sponsorship of a boy to the first annual Boys' State at Lincoln in June was discussed briefly and referred to the Public Relations committee. It is hoped to have two boys sent from here to this eight day course in government, sponsored by a number of local organizations.

Total cost involved for the sponsorship of two boys will be but \$25, plus the responsibility of getting them to and from Lincoln.

Complete governmental functions will be set up, with the 250 boys attending electing their various officers from governor down. There will be county and city subdivisions and the boys will practice complete self-government with a legislature, county and city officials.

Suggestions

Inasmuch as a new year in city affairs begins May 1st, President J. Howard Davis gave the closing minutes of the session to the offering of suggestions for discussion at a future meeting on ways to improve Plattsmouth, the thought being to merely pass the ideas along to the Mayor and Council.

Several were offered including a readjusting of stop and speed limit signs, dividing the city into two wards with four councilmen instead of ten, greater regulation and control of beer taverns and liquor stores and "more permanent streets of some kind."

Time being up the meeting adjourned until two weeks later, when the symposium on civic needs will be resumed.

O. C. HUDSON ILL

From Friday's Daily—Today for the first time since 1911 when he entered the service of school district No. 1, O. C. Hudson was absent from his duties as custodian at the local high school building. Mr. Hudson is suffering from a severe attack of the flu and while his condition was not dangerous it was ordered that he remain at home until better.

The sudden illness of Mr. Hudson caused a real problem in operating the heating plant that serves the high school and Central buildings, as those at the school were not familiar with the general operation of the large plant. William F. Evers, superintendent of the Masonic Home, who has had a great deal of experience in the handling of large heating units, very generously came to the rescue and assisted in getting the plant operating and with James Bulin had the plant operating so that all were furnished with adequate heat until a temporary setup could be arranged.

Fred H. Mumm, custodian at the Columbia building was called in and is operating the plant at the high school as well as at the Columbian building until Mr. Hudson can be back on the job.

HAVE FINE CONVENTION

The Plattsmouth ladies attending the first district convention of the Nebraska Federation of Women's clubs, report one of the most interesting meetings in recent years. Fine afforded members.

The speakers included Bishop Oxnam, of the Methodist church and Lt. Shreine, of the state highway patrol.

Mrs. L. S. Devoe of this city had charge of the American Home committee and Rev. J. C. Lawson of this city, gave a fine talk on "Religion in the American Home," at the Tuesday session. Mrs. E. H. Wescott had charge of the devotions on Wednesday.

Those attending from this city were: Mrs. P. Y. McPetridge and Mrs. Frank Horsak, delegates, and Mesdames R. B. Hayes, Elmer Sundstrom, William Baird, E. H. Wescott, L. S. Devoe.

HERE FOR VACATION

Miss Maxine Cloidt and Mrs. Edna Shopp, teachers in the McCook city schools arrived home Friday evening to spend the spring vacation here with relatives. Mrs. Shopp will visit her mother, Mrs. Bertha Shopp and Miss Cloidt her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cloidt.

Lettermen Name Captains for Next Year

Ronald Rebal as Football Captain and Robert Hayes as Basketball Head for 1938-39.

Thursday evening lettermen of the Plattsmouth high school football and basketball teams gathered at the high school building for their annual get-together and to select the team captains for the coming season.

The committee in charge of the refreshments, Raymond Wooster, the retiring basketball captain, Joy Miller, retiring football captain and Ben McCarty, did a good job and provided a real treat for their associates.

There were some forty in attendance and members of the faculty to take part were Superintendent L. S. Devoe, Principal J. R. Reeder, Dow Armstrong, L. M. Gerner.

With the close of the refreshments the members of the party took up the task of naming the captains for the year 1938-39 in the two sports that have been so popular in the school.

For the position of football captain, Ronald Rebal, junior, and who played at the center position the past year on the football team and forward and center on the basketball team was named. Rebal has played two years on the team. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rebal.

Robert Hayes, Jr., named as basketball captain, has been one of the hard working members of the squad during his high school days and is a member of the junior class of the school. He showed well the past season and was an aggressive force for the team at the southeast tournament this year. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hayes.

Both of the new captains are very popular with their fellow students and active in the social life of the school as well as in the athletic field. The juniors and seniors and sophomores and freshmen of the basketball squad enjoyed a game of their favorite sport at the close of the evening as well as ping-pong and boxing to add to the pleasure.

HONOR ROLL OF SCHOOLS

The honor roll of the high school for the third quarter of the school year shows 50 of the young people on the honor roll, one of the coveted rankings of the school and which shows their very high scholastic ratings for the quarter. There were sixteen of the senior class in this roll, a very fine showing, six juniors, thirteen sophomores and fifteen of the freshmen. The honor students for the quarter were:

Seniors—Irene Anthes, Mary Gayler, Dick Hall, Joan Hall, Shirley Keck, Jean Knorr, Joe Kvapil, Neil Lancaster, Flora Belle Mead, Eleanor Minor, Marion Olson, Caroline Ramel, Iola Rosencrantz, Dorothy Ruffner, Shirley Seiver, Clara Toman, Robert Wood.

Junior—John Bestor, Veda Capps, John Livingston, Maxine Nielsen, Janet Westover, Kathleen Nolte.

Sophomores—Keith Broman, Charlotte Cotner, Mary Helen Dill, Corinne Drucker, Darlene Hennings, Whipple Leonard, Glen Lutz, Shirley Mason, Joe Phillips, Matthew Sedlak, Helen Slatinsky, Wilma Swatek, Allan White, Raphael Toman.

Freshmen—Helen Barkus, Albin Chovanec, Maxine Cole, Robert Cook, Corbin Davis, Betty Joe Henry, Edwin Hiber, Ann Hill, Ronald Lester, Betty Jo Libershal, Joe Noble, Clayton Sack, Verona Toman, Shirley Walling, Ruth Westover.

FILES FOR COMMISSIONER

From Thursday's Daily—Emil W. Bornemeier, of Elmwood, was in the city today and made filing for the office of county commissioner for the third district, subject to the wishes of the republican voters at the primaries in August.

Mr. Bornemeier is a member of one of the pioneer families of the west part of Cass county, they coming there when the country was only partially settled. Emil Bornemeier was born on a farm near Elmwood and has resided in that locality for his lifetime. Mr. Bornemeier has been largely engaged in farming during his lifetime, but at the present is operating a trucking business out of that city. He has been a close student of county affairs and the needs of the people of the county.

STOPPED BY STORM

From Friday's Daily—William A. Robertson, grand master of the Nebraska Masons, with William F. Evers, superintendent of the Masonic Home, had an experience with Nebraska's spring blizzards last night.

They were driving to Stella to attend a session of the Masonic lodge at that place and reaching Auburn found that they were driving into a real blizzard with heavy snow and wires down along the roadway. They returned home as the prospect was poor for getting through the storm.

Organize Base Ball Team for Southeast League

John F. Wolf named as the Manager of the Team With Joe McCarthy as the Coach.

Thursday evening a large group of the players and interested fans met at the Recreation Center for the purpose of completing organization of a baseball team for this city in the proposed southeast league.

The club was formally launched and with the coming of more spring-like conditions it is expected to get busy on the workouts and be ready for the start of the season.

John F. Wolf, veteran baseball player and enthusiast, was named as the manager of the team, his long experience should add a great deal to the success of the team. Noah Faircloth, member of the U. S. engineering force, was selected as the secretary-treasurer of the team.

Joe McCarthy, one of the veteran baseball players of the city, who has played almost every position on a team, will act as the coach and help in the workouts of the team.

It is expected that Harley Streets, who played with the locals for the earlier part of last year, will be back and add his pitching skill to the team.

Among the players who will be available for the season start are Jack O'Donnell, Robert Hayes, Marian Wiles, Charles Ault, Jr., Ed Kalina, Earl Wiles, Val Chovanec, "Dusty" Rhoades, Herb Sundstrom, Ronald Rebal, Stuart Sedlak and it is hoped that other young ball players may be enrolled before the season starts. A committee will attempt to secure some organization or business establishment that may wish to sponsor the baseball team this season.

METHODIST FEDERATION MEETS

From Friday's Daily—The Methodist Women's Federation met yesterday afternoon at the church. There was a group of about 30 ladies at the meeting. After a business meeting, a fine program was given. It consisted of a solo by Flora Belle Meade, "My Task"; a trumpet solo by Allan White, "Castles in the Air"; a vocal solo by John Jacobs, "The Old Road"; "Dark Eyes," sung by the girls sextette. A. Shirley Seiver, Betty Voboril, Helen Hiatt, Shirley Petersen, Frances Cloidt, and Eleanor Minor; a solo, "Only a Rose," by Shirley Seiver. The accompanists were Jean Knorr and Flora Belle Meade. A delicious lunch was served by the hostesses. They were Mrs. Worth, Mrs. Elmer Sundstrom, Mrs. Will Sutton, Mrs. Will Carr, Mrs. W. G. Kisek, Miss Selma Diehm, Mrs. C. C. Wescott, Mrs. James Mauzy, Mrs. J. H. Hallstrom, from the Naomi Circle.

FILES FOR SHERIFF

From Friday's Daily—The second filing for the republican nomination for county sheriff was made today when Wayne A. Bennett, of this city, filed his name for this position.

Mr. Bennett has had police experience prior to his entering the service of the Iowa-Nebraska Light & Power co. fourteen years ago. He has for the past eleven years been engaged with the company in Cass county and in that time has made many friends and acquaintances in his business and public activities.

The many friends of Mr. Bennett over the county will be interested in learning of his entrance into the race to be decided at the primaries on August 9th.

Sportsmen's Club Has Fine Meeting Friday

Plans Discussed for Large Game and Bird Refuge Along the Missouri River.

From Saturday's Daily—The Cass County Sportsmen's club held their regular monthly meeting at the auditorium of the public library last evening, and when the president, M. M. Muncie, called the meeting to order, there was an attendance of more than 125 persons.

The secretary reported that the membership had grown to 154 members. A. L. Tidd, chairman of the constitutional committee, reported the constitution which on motion was adopted. Further time was asked in which to prepare by-laws.

Roy Holly, chairman of the promotion committee reported that the proposed game refuge which includes some 23 sections, being East Rock Bluff precinct, and extending to highway 75, was progressing nicely and that it would embrace fourteen to fifteen thousand acres, of which nearly sixteen hundred acres were already under lease. It was hoped to have the entire tract leased for game refuge before the first of June.

On this project the leasing calls on behalf of the farmers that they permit the state game and fish commission to stock the farms with pheasants, quail, and partridge. Also the state is to post the farms against hunting and supply better protection by game wardens for the area. The period of the game refuge is to be for a period of three years, in which time the propagation of game birds are hoped to be sufficiently abundant to furnish protection against grasshoppers, and insects, and afford a hunting ground for the local community.

Frank B. O'Connell of the game fish, and park commission was present and gave a very interesting address on the condition of the game and fish conservation in the state. He pointed out that the drought years had resulted in heavy loss of the production of fish, because of the fact that many lakes, which were stocked with fish in the sand-hills had dried up, which makes it more important that some permanent lakes may be established, such as may be built at Rock Bluff in East Rock Bluff precinct. He said that from a survey which was being made by the department, that in his opinion, it would show that in the year 1927 there was approximately one million pheasants taken by the hunters of the state. This means that there was more than one million pounds of game food produced and harvested in the state last year. Mr. O'Connell pointed out that the state had acquired a production farm on which they would be able to produce approximately ten thousand birds to be planted in various areas in Nebraska, for the production of a new crop of game birds.

There was present from the Missouri Valley Hunt club of Omaha, Dr. E. B. Hayes, vice president; B. R. Hawley, secretary and treasurer of the organization, and also Eddie Dygert, and Don Barber.

Dr. Hayes made a brief address in which he complimented the Cass County Sportsmen's club on the attendance, and the enthusiasm shown. He said that the attendance was much better than that which they were able to obtain in the Sportsmen's club in Omaha. He gave some very valuable suggestions concerning the game sanctuary which is being planned in this area, and he suggested that the area be protected for a longer period than three years. He expressed the opinion that this area was one of the best to be found in the state of Nebraska.

Eddie Dygert said the Missouri Valley Hunt club would give a demonstration of the working of well trained dogs, on the south side of the Platte river, on the Stull lands, on April 20, and May 1, 1938. He also said the trial demonstration would be attended by some of the best dog trainers from Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Nebraska. The judges of the contest will be Glen S. Dundar and Ernest Wunderlich of Plainfield, Illinois. The demonstration will include Cocker Spaniels, English Springer Spaniels,

and Irish Water Spaniels, all in the retrieving class of trained dogs.

After these brief addresses, Emil J. Weyrich furnished two reels of moving pictures. One devoted to wildlife, pictures, and the other to pictures taken by Mr. Weyrich in Yellowstone Park, which were very much enjoyed and appreciated by the audience present. The club expressed their hearty appreciation to Mr. Weyrich for his service in producing the moving pictures for this meeting.

Everyone present seemed to enjoy the meeting and expressed themselves as enthusiastically interested in the program of the Cass County Sportsmen's club.

Camporee of Boy Scouts for Plattsmouth

Arbor Lodge District's Summertime Activity to be Held at Camp Wheeler June 2 and 3.

At the Arbor Lodge district Scout meeting in Nebraska City Tuesday night plans were perfected for the holding of a Camporee at Camp Wheeler south of Plattsmouth Thursday and Friday, June 2nd and 3rd. This activity will bring troops here from ten to fifteen troops in the three counties comprising this district—Cass, Otoe and Nemaha.

Troops will transport to the Murray corner and "pack in" from that point, a distance of one and three-quarter miles.

The Camporee is, roughly speaking, an overnight hike, participated in by massed troops, with inter-troop competition on the various "good camping" requirements that Scouting teaches.

Each troop on arrival at the campsite, is assigned a definite staked-off plot of ground on which to pitch its tents, set up its kitchen, etc. The opening day's evening meal (troops to arrive during the late afternoon) is not graded, but breakfast and the noon day meal Friday are to be scored.

Thursday evening the "Council Fire," a traditional Scout camping feature, will be held. Stunts, songs, etc., come up for competitive grading at this time.

The public is invited to visit the camp and inspect the manner in which the boys "pitch camp." Especially is the invitation extended for the Camp Fire program Thursday night.

Friday forenoon brings various forms of competition and the Camporee period officially closes after the noon-day meal. Troops may then pick up the equipment at the camp site, as the boys will not be required to "pack out."

Interest in Scouting is increasing and Arbor Lodge district has the largest enrollment of any year, more towns participating and a considerably greater number of troops.

Summer Camp

Approval was also given at the meeting to setting the Arbor Lodge summer camp dates, June 25 to July 2, at the Lincoln camp. One hundred boys from Arbor Lodge district are expected to attend this camp.

COUNTY COURT NOTES

From Saturday's Daily—Petition for the probate of the will of Frederick L. Wiegert, deceased of Elmwood, was filed in the court this morning. Appointment of Christina B. Wiegert, and Thad H. Green as executors is asked.

Petition for the appointment of Albert Altschaff, as guardian of Mary and Anna Altschaff, minors, was made in court. The minors have property of the value of \$250 and it is represented that a guardianship is necessary.

BANISH PEDDLERS

Friday afternoon Chief of Police Joe Libershal rounded up a group of young men who have been engaged in selling rugs over the city and whose occupation fell under the ban of the "Green River" ordinance adopted by the city some time ago. The activities of the parties were stopped and the group agreed to leave the city and stop selling here.

Phone news items to No. 6.

Weeping Water School Building is Condemned

Grade School Structure Listed as Unsafe for Use in Storm—Seek New Structure.

The grade school building at Weeping Water has been condemned by State Fire Marshal Horace M. Davis. The action follows agitation among the residents as to the matter of the safety of the building and which the board of education had inspected.

The school district some time ago voted a bond issue to secure funds for the school building to be supplemented by government aid when possible.

When the building was built a great many years ago it was added to later with a third floor and belfry and which in the opinion of the architects caused damage to the original structure.

The report given by Mr. Davis to the board of education at Weeping Water regarding the condition of the structure, covers the following:

"No engineer could predict how long the Weeping Water grade school building would stand under normal atmospheric conditions. Much less can anyone presee high winds or tornadoes. Certainly the building is in dangerous condition but whether forty-nine percent or fifty-one percent hazardous can not be determined by mathematics.

"The fire marshal therefore directs upon his own judgment and the judgment of those in whom he has most confidence, that the building may not safely be used after the close of the present school year. We recommend that the third floor be closed for all purposes, also it is our firm opinion that the bell shall not be swung, but may be used for tolling. The use of the northeast basement room for play purposes shall be discontinued and the lockers in the furnace room be removed, if they are to be used.

"We recommend that the school be closed immediately upon evidence of a windstorm.

"While the furnace remains in use utmost care shall be employed to see that the automatic cut-off valve is in working order to insure that the supply of natural gas shall immediately discontinue in case of any accident.

"Discontinue gas feed, if any, to the third floor laboratory.

"Discontinue the use of padlocks on exit doors and have panic locks in good condition, this applicable in the high school building also.

"The use of the building in question is forbidden for school purposes after the close of the current school year."

MYNARD LADIES BROADCAST

From Saturday's Daily—On last Tuesday the Goldenrod Study club chorus of Mynard were heard over station WOW during a fifteen minute broadcast, 10:45 to 11:00 a. m. Miss Jessie H. Baldwin, home extension agent of Cass county was assisted by Mrs. Everett Spangler, county chairman of project clubs, and by Mrs. C. L. Wiles who has been an active worker in this field of endeavor for a number of years. They participated in a clever skit depicting the advantages of this project work in which some 28,000 club women have participated.

The study club chorus of Mynard was heard in two numbers, "Prayer Perfect" by Stenson, and "Over the Summer Sea," adapted from Verde's "Rigoletto," and is under the direction of Rev. Paul Dick of Mynard. Mrs. Elbert Wiles is accompanist and the chorus is composed of the following ladies: Mesdames Sherman Cole, Everett Spangler, J. R. Tremble, John Wooders, Margaret Todd, C. A. Wetenkamp, Chester Wiles, Herman Meisinger, Will Mintford, Howard Wiles, Henry Hill, John Valley, Paul Dick, C. L. Wiles, Roy O. Cole and C. C. Barnard.

SUFFERING FROM FLU

Mrs. F. P. Busch was confined to her home today and unable to look after her usual activities at the Ladies Toggery. Mrs. Busch is suffering from an attack of the flu that has been very annoying and forcing her to remain home.

TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

Mrs. Charles Christwiser, of Nehawka, is at the Clarkson hospital at Omaha where she will undergo examination as her health has not been the best in recent weeks.