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MURDOCK ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Gillespie were in Omaha last Monday, where they transacted business.

Paul Schewe was sowing his allotment of wheat last Wednesday. Moisture is needed badly to give the grain a start.

Lacey McDonald and A. J. Tool have been taking advantage of the fine weather to do some fishing in the Platte river.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Schmidt and their granddaughter, Miss Geraldine Schmidt were visitors in Plattsmouth one day last week.

A couple of our local golf fans went to Ashland last Wednesday afternoon to enjoy a few rounds of this popular pastime.

J. Johansen, who has been out of work for some time, has been assigned to work on the new community building at Weeping Water.

Four Murdock ladies were at Manly last Wednesday, where they attended the card party given by the Altar society of St. Patrick's church. They report a pleasant afternoon.

Robert Emmons, of Lincoln, visited here last week at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. H. Zabel, being en route home from several weeks spent with relatives in Iowa.

Louis Hornbeck and wife, with their family and Grandmother Backemeyer of Lincoln were guests Sunday at the home of County Commissioner H. C. Backemeyer here.

A truck load of sand from the South Bend pits was brought to the Evangelical parsonage last week, being part of the materials to be used in the modernization work there.

Glen Harger has accepted a job peking corn for Herbert Bornemeyer, where in spite of the drought, hot winds, chintz bugs and grasshoppers, the grain is yielding about 20 bushels to the acre.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heineman were at McColm last Sunday, where they visited their niece, Mrs. Kuehn, who was formerly Miss Bernice Rikli before her marriage to a son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kuehn.

The Western Brick and Supply company of Hastings had their large delivery truck here last week with a load of brick to be used in the foundation of the Evangelical parsonage, which is being modernized.

Louis Schmidt and family of Wash came this way Thursday and picked up the parents of Louis, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Schmidt, all going to Lincoln for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Eckery. Mrs. Eckery is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Schmidt and a sister of Louis Schmidt.

Much Interest in Meetings

The Murdock Evangelical church has been holding a series of meetings during the past week, with the services conducted by the pastor, Rev. Harvey A. Schwab, with the cooperation of the evangelist, Rev. T. H. Kampman, who is pastor of the Evangelical church at West Point. There have been some good sermons and much interest in the meetings, which are to continue through the present week.

Making Home in Lincoln

Gayle McDonald, son of Mrs. Hannah McDonald, who for many years has made his home at Hampton, Nebraska, where he was a rural mail carrier, has moved the family to Lincoln where the children may attend the University. Mr. McDonald is continuing his work at Hampton, however.

Enjoyed Day at Plattsmouth

Sunday of last week, L. Neitzel was in Plattsmouth last Sunday as a Bible school teacher at the Christian church Sunday school and to attend the religious rally in the afternoon, which was the closing feature of the King Korn Carnival. Rev. Harvey Schwab was also over for the afternoon program and was one of

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the speakers. Both enjoyed the mass meeting very much, it being attended by representatives from nearly all the churches in the county.

Returns Home from Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schlueter, who have been visiting in Kentucky for some two weeks, arrived home last Monday evening. They were impressed with the beauty of the Blue Grass country but say Cass county, dry as it is this fall, looked good to them.

Married at Lincoln

News comes of the wedding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gayle McDonald in Lincoln of their daughter, Miss Norma McDonald to Lawrence Gude of Hastings last Saturday evening. They will make their home in Hastings, from whence the groom travels on the road as a salesman.

Sons Come to Gladden Homes

The population curve of Murdock has taken an upward turn during the past fortnight, with sons born to Mr. and Mrs. George Kruse, to Mr. and Mrs. Victor Thingan and to Mr. and Mrs. Gust Kupke. These with the new family that has moved here to engage in business more than recompensates for recent removals from the community.

The arrival of these three young men has brought joy not only to the parents, but grandparents, relatives and friends.

NEW BOOK AT LIBRARY

An outstanding book at the Plattsmouth public library at this time is "The World was My Garden," by David Fairchild, who is commonly known to his readers and authorities as the plant explorer. The following is a short sketch of the book:

"Several years ago, during the expedition to the tropics, David Fairchild contracted a serious infection. Months of illness followed, and at last he sank into a coma. During the dark hours of waiting, we came to a realization of not only our personal loss should he go, but also of the vast store of knowledge and experience which he had accumulated and which would be lost without him. We comprehended how stupid we had been that we had not charged ourselves with the task of preserving this knowledge.

"So, when the hand of death withdrew and David's strength returned, we inveigled him to peaceful Hidden River farm in New Jersey and provided a stenographer to take down the story of his life—which is also the story of plant introduction into this country. When he wavered, we drove him on, and whatever counsel we could give, we have tried to help him from his multitude of experiences and myriad of facts compile into readable book form.

"But the most difficult feat has been to persuade David Fairchild to include himself in his autobiography. I can understand that readers might enjoy the home life and ultimate purpose of plants, but, because of his sincere modesty, it has required steady resistance to constrain him to permit his readers a glimpse of himself as well. We hope that many will read between the lines and envision the farming character of this delightful man whose blue eyes sparkle with a deep, unquenchable interest and an enthusiasm for all things. His is a nature devoid of selfishness or the slightest tinge of pettiness. Each day brings to him a new wonder and a new challenge to learn and to give to others. In his company one gains new eyes to see, new ears to hear, and new comprehension and love of the world we live in."

Flower and garden lovers of this city are especially requested to read this book as an enormous quantity of food for thought can be derived from this new publication.

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Petitions for Special Election Seem Inadequate

Opinion of City Attorney Davis That Petition Fails to Comply With Provision of Law.

From Tuesday's Daily—

The city council last evening held a very interesting session and chief among the matters to be considered was that of the petitions submitted at a previous meeting asking that a special election be called to vote bonds for the completion and taking over of the Legion auditorium and also for the repaving of Chicago avenue. The matter had been referred to City Attorney J. H. Davis and the council the opinion that the petition in several ways had failed to comply with the requirements of the law. In the Legion auditorium petition, Mr. Davis held that the statutes provided that a petition must have not less than 50 freeholders, that the petition must set forth the nature of the proposition for which the bonds were to be voted, the amount of bonds, the interest rate to be paid on the bonds and the period for which the bonds were to be operative. Bond must be posted by the petitioners to protect the city in case the bonds failed to carry, providing for the payment of the cost of the election. Bonds must carry by sixty per cent of the vote cast at the last general election. In these facts it was held that the petition failed to comply with the law.

In the petition for the Chicago avenue paving it was held that the petition was inadequate in that it did not specify the amount of bonds to be asked for, lacked the interest rate of bonds and the time of the life of the bonds. It was the opinion of the city attorney that the councilmen in voting the special election without proper bond being filed, that they might be liable on their bond.

Mayor Lushinsky thought that the matter be referred back to the city planning committee for some action and the matter put over until the regular spring election when it might be submitted to the voters without the expense of a general election.

Mr. Davis stated that he would check his opinion with all of the previous sections of the statutes that covered elections and bond voting. A communication was received from Fred Lusch asking that permission be granted him to erect a fire proof addition to his building situated on west one-half of lot 4, block 34, city. It was voted to grant the permission and under the supervision of the fire and water committee of the council.

The tax and property committee reported a bid for the east one-half of lot 8, and all of lot 9, block 10, original town, of \$375, made by Mrs. H. F. Gansemer, who proposed to erect a modern home thereon. The bid was accepted and deed ordered made.

Mayor Lushinsky thanked the members of the police department and the chairman of the police committee for their excellent work during the carnival just closed, stating that he had written the state highway department to express the city's appreciation of the services of the state patrolmen while on duty here. Councilman Schutz expressed the appreciation of the photostat table of the city bonded debt which had been prepared by Councilman Webb. Mayor Lushinsky also expressed appreciation and called attention to the fact that the city had made great strides in reducing the bonded debt in the past ten years.

Mayor Lushinsky reported he had investigated the dancing room at the Hotel Plattsmouth and found it complying with the law and was a very fine and pleasant place and excellent in every way. Chairman Gabelman of the streets, alleys and bridges committee, reported that all street work was being caught up at this time. He reported that the ditch on Lincoln avenue was in need of work to keep it in shape and from washing. He also reported that Harry Gochenour, a member of the city force had injured his foot while at work several days ago. With the coming of the late fall the chairman asked permission to cut the work days to five in his department.

Mayor Lushinsky stated that the road fund was low at this time and that work orders should be curtailed and that the fund might be built up in the fall and winter. The council had a general discussion of the matter of the water supply and need of more liberal rates to permit the use of water for lawns, trees and vegetation in the heated weather. The matter was brought up in the report of Chairman Schutz on the water pressure in the south

Children at the Crossroads

Oh, They Stare So, They Stare So We have often been asked, "Why do not the cases coming before the juvenile court receive the same publicity in the newspapers as do criminal cases?" Why are not the informal hearings of the juvenile court thrown open to the public?

We can best answer these queries by referring to the story of Mary, one of the first juvenile cases we heard. The courtroom was crowded with curious women spectators and the ever-present group of men-nudgers. After hearing the evidence, we told Mary we did not deem it necessary or advisable to send her to a penal institution; that we would give her a chance on probation, and she should return home and re-enter school.

As we made this decision, Mary became hysterical, pleading to be sent to an institution and crying out repeatedly, "Oh, they stare so; they stare so. I can't ever look anybody in the face again."

Since then we have kept the atmosphere of the juvenile court as quiet as possible. There is no public need to be served by spreading abroad the activities of the court.

Some of the girls who have appeared before us since have married, have fine homes and splendid children, and are a real credit to their community. Some of the boys have finished high school and college courses and are gaining success and recognition in their chosen fields.

To expose the hidden chapters in their lives to public curiosity now would be tragic. To have exposed part of the city, which was now normal after the demand for water in the packing plant had diminished. Mayor Lushinsky urged that the committee visit the office of the local water corporation and try and secure some adjustment of rates that would permit a more liberal use of water for lawns and trees in the heated summer periods.

C. E. Markham of the WPA stated that there had been thirty more men placed at work on the Chicago avenue sewer project and that it was hoped that this could now be wound up in the next two months. He also stated that the funds available would be adequate to allow the city to remove the parking on Main street between Sixth and Seventh streets if so desired.

The following bills were ordered paid by the council:

Hotel Plattsmouth, meals to patrolmen	\$ 3.00
Albert Olson, postage, revenue stamps	4.00
Platts, Transfer, drayage	.50
Anderson Co., Omaha, 500 ft. hose	500.00
R. V. Bryant, repairs old fire truck	32.20
Franklin Kief, cutting brush	12.80
Franklin Kief, washing st.	12.80
George Taylor, street work, painting	17.60
George Taylor, street work	24.40
George Taylor, cutting weeds	6.40
Harry Gochenour, cutting weeds	11.20
Harry Gochenour, st. work	9.60
Harry Gochenour, sweeping, washing streets	6.40
D. L. Ramel, graderman	10.40
D. L. Ramel, washing streets, painting	27.00
D. L. Ramel, repairs, shed door	18.00
Ivan Taylor, washing streets, painting	3.60
Ivan Taylor, street work	25.20
Plattsmouth Journal, printing	9.00
James L. Webb, photostat supplies	27.95
Thomas Walling Abstract Co., abstract	5.50
Ivan Taylor, changing repair door	117.50
Chicago Avenue WPA	14.40
Joe Mrasek, sand, gravel	66.20
Charles Crawford, truck rental	21.90
C. E. Markham, truck rental	48.00
Charles Crawford, same	29.00
Roy E. Crawford, foreman quarry	35.00
Cement Products Co., concrete pipe	51.16
Beaver Handle Co., sledge handle	1.80
Charles Valley, blacksmith coal	8.60
T. A. Tennant, rock	18.84

MANY ATTEND MEETING

Ray Wisel, local representative of the Studebaker automobiles, was in Omaha this week where he attended a conference of the dealers from all sections of the state, held at the Fontenelle hotel. The members of the party embracing some 200 were entertained at dinner at the hotel and then given the opportunity of seeing motion pictures of the plant and the methods of the building of the cars and their assembling. The party were also given a showing of the latest models of the car for 1940 and which will soon be released.

Platters Down Valley by Score 24 to 6, Friday

Local Attack Too Formidable—Some Brilliant Runs and Passing—Penalties Aid Valley.

From Saturday's Daily—

The fast and aggressive Platter football team last evening bogged down the much heavier Valley team to win by the score of 24 to 6, the visitors scoring largely as the result of penalties against the locals in their own zone.

The visitors menaced the Plattsmouth goal in the opening quarter when, after the Platter return of the opening kick they were held and Valley was able to get away with a brilliant run by Kenneth Johnson that raced the ball to the Plattsmouth twenty and on the next play Johnson advanced to the local twelve yard marker. Kenneth Holling then took the ball to the nine yard line, but the locals held and Ed Smith succeeded in intercepting a pass that Valley sought to score on, and in the succeeding play Allan White, fleet footed local back, showed his old track fire with a dash down the field and into the opening for a touchdown. The try for point failed, but the Platters were out ahead, 6 to 0, greatly encouraged and playing heads-up football.

In the second quarter, Plattsmouth again stung the visitors with some fast and aggressive play. The set-up for this touchdown was laid as Knorr dashed in to recover a fumble by Valley. This was followed by a brilliant pass from Smith to Joe Noble, who was away for the scoring, but the try for the extra point was in vain, and the score stood Plattsmouth, 12; Valley, 0.

In the second period the Platters again added to their score when they took full advantage of Valley bobbles. Plattsmouth had kicked off and Valley returned, with some excellent tackling shown by Yelick or the opponent ball carriers. The Valley team was rushed and fumbled the ball on their own twelve, but recovered and attempted to kick out, but the punt was blocked and the ball was returned to the Valley ten stripe by Steinkamp. A pass from Smith to Steinkamp, who was back of the goal, brought the locals' third touchdown, boosting the Plattsmouth score to 18 to 0.

The Plattsmouth final score came in the early part of the third stanza of the game when the scoring opportunity was set up on a short kick by Valley in their own territory, which was followed by a well carried out sideline play by Steinkamp, who was on the receiving end of one of Ed Smith's passes and raced down the sidelines for the score. The Valley defense was unable to get close to stop the racing Steinkamp as he went over. This boosted the locals to a 24 to 6 score.

It was in the last quarter that the Valley team was able to get the ball over the counting stripe and this was largely because of the heavy penalties that carried the Platters back from Valley territory deep into their own zone, and from the ten yard stripe of the locals Johnson passed to Clayton Samson, who was behind the goal and scored on the play. The try for point failed.

In the final part of the struggle, the Platters used their shock troops, who very effectively held back the Valley attempts at gains, and the ball was in mid field at the final whistle.

Final score, 24 to 6.

The Plattsmouth team will play here next Friday evening with the Sidney, Iowa, team as their opponents, the game starting at eight.

Moe Pressley, well known Omaha sportsman, officiated as the referee. Hensen was umpire and Kuntzelman head linesman.

MEET "WATERMELON WILLIE"

COLUMBIA, S. C. (UP)—A member of Columbia's chain gang is "Watermelon Willie," who eats at least four or five melons a day in addition to his regular meals. However, he says he hasn't felt so well lately because he usually can "put away 10 or 12 when I'm feeling right."

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Mynard Club Holds Its First Fall Meeting

West Side Committee in Charge with the Children Presenting the Evening's Program

From Saturday's Daily—

Following a summer vacation of three months, the Mynard Community club held their first fall meeting last evening. A large attendance was reported and the business session was presided over by President Royal Smith. Rev. Paul Dick served as the leader for the group singing with Oglia Wiles as the accompanist.

The evening's program was one of unusual interest, one that was dedicated to the children and presented by the West Side committee. Mrs. Herman Meisinger announced the various numbers. A talented musician, Miss Betty Ann Albert gave two piano solos, "Fifth Nocturne" and "Twelfth Street Rag." Mrs. Charles Howard gave the reading, "Mountain Lion Herman." Richard Cole, a prominent 4-H club worker, gave a very interesting talk on club work. A group representing Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs were present. Miss Marian Wetenkamp played the part of Snow White. The Seven Dwarfs were represented by Misses Mildred Ann Meisinger, Elizabeth Perry, Marilyn Lutz, Eloise Cole, Delores Smith, Maxine Flint and Mary Margaret Cole. The 4-H club girls and their officers, as well as some of the work that has been done by the organization, was presented. In all there are sixteen members.

Miss Eloise Cole, president of the society, presented Mrs. Chester Wiles, leader of the club, with a gift in appreciation of her work. Miss Margaret Smith, vice president, presented Mrs. Roy Cole, assistant leader, with a gift. Moving pictures of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Spangler's recent trip to California were shown. The pictures cited many spots familiar to the group. The ocean wave, many mountains and beautiful trees were some of the many scenic spots that were shown.

"RIVERVIEW CLUB"

Riverview Club held their open meeting September 12 at the pleasant country home of Mrs. Georgia Creamer, with Mrs. Glenn Campbell as assistant hostess. The meeting was presided over by the president, Mrs. Greeley Bell. Two songs were sung, "God Bless America" and "My Nebraska." A short business meeting was held, in which old and new business were discussed.

All the members were present and several new members were taken into the club, as follows: Mrs. Alma Yardly, Mrs. Charles Koke, Mrs. Jean Phillips and Mrs. Albert Warga.

Each member presented her capsul friend a present. By this each one learned who her past capsul friend has been, which was much enjoyed and quite revealing. New names were drawn for new capsul friends for the coming year.

Mrs. Bell prepared the program for the afternoon, which was the study of Nebraska and proved very interesting. Plans were made for a weiner roast to be held in Arthur Sullivan's pasture, October 1st.

The next meeting of the club will be held with Mrs. Harrison L. Gayer on October 10.

A delicious lunch was served by the hostesses, Mrs. Creamer and Mrs. Campbell.—Club Reporter.

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