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Elmwood Masons to Lay the Corner Stone of Building

Grand Lodge Officers to Be Present at Ceremonies at Elmwood on Next Monday Afternoon.

The corner stone of the new Masonic temple at Elmwood will be laid this (Monday) afternoon, at 2:30 with appropriate ceremonies to mark the dedication of the new structure that will replace the former building destroyed by fire a year ago.

The officers of the Nebraska grand lodge will be present to conduct the ceremonies and Masonic bodies over the county have been invited to participate in the dedication. It is expected that a very large number from Plattsmouth lodge No. 6 will be in attendance and assist in the exercises of the day.

This new fireproof building will replace the former wooden structure that was burned to the ground just a few months after it had been remodeled and arranged into one of the finest Masonic temples in the smaller places of the state.

The building that is now being erected will be a distinct addition to the city of Elmwood and will be located in the main part of the town and surrounding it will be a handsomely landscaped lawn and grounds.

DEATH OF MRS. S. S. GOODING

Mrs. S. S. Gooding, one of the well loved and long time residents of the city, was called to the last reward this morning at 11:45 following an illness of several months.

The deceased lady has been in failing health for several years but it has not been until the past year that her condition became so serious that she has largely been confined to the family home on South 13th street. In the long months of suffering Mrs. Gooding has been tenderly ministered to by the members of the family circle, hoping against hope that the wife and mother might be able to rally but to no avail.

Mrs. Gooding has made her home for many years in the home in the southwest part of the city where she passed away and was a lady loved and esteemed for her splendid character and her devotion to her family and friends to whom her going comes as a very cruel blow.

Mrs. Gooding is survived by the aged husband and one son, Everett Gooding of Omaha, as well as two brothers and one sister.

A more extended sketch of the life of Mrs. Gooding will appear later in the Journal.

M. E. Conference Requests Return of Rev. Sortor

Fourth Quarterly Conference of Local Church Pastor to Ask for Present Return of Rev. Sortor.

The fourth quarterly conference of the First Methodist church of this city was held last evening at the church with Rev. C. C. Wilson, of Omaha, district superintendent presiding over the gathering.

This is the last conference held before the annual state conference at Lincoln on September 18th and 19th and the reports of the various branches of the church work was received and discussed.

The conference voted to ask the state conference to return Rev. H. E. Sortor to the charge here and the representatives at the state meeting will be urged to support the action of the church.

Rev. Sortor is completing his fourth year in charge of the local church and has in his pastorate aided in building the church materially both in the administrative policy, membership and the spiritual advancement of the church organization. He has been especially active in the extension of the young people's work of the church and his leadership has been of distinct advantage both to the organization and to the individual membership of the church.

In his stay here Rev. Sortor has made contact with a large number outside of the membership of his own faith and by whom he is esteemed and honored as an earnest and forcible leader in the spiritual life of the community.

The policy of the Methodist church is not that of allowing their pastors to remain at one charge over an extensive period of years and whether or not the conference of the state will return the local pastor cannot be determined, but it is the sincere wish of the friends both in and out of the church membership that the present pastor be returned here.

For Job Printing call the Journal.

URGING GRAVEL WORK

The business men of Ashland are urging very strongly the campaign for the raising of funds to be expended in graveling the highway that will extend from South Bend in Cass county northwest to the vicinity of the D. L. D. and into their city. The road in South Bend precinct is gravelled by the means of a levy on the taxable property in the precinct and the county meeting the cost of graveling half way on the 50-50 basis. The road in Saunders county is being partially taken care of by the commissioners of that county but the residents of Ashland offered to raise the necessary amount to help defray the cost of bringing the road on into that place.

This highway will give a surfaced road from the extreme western part of the county that can serve the residents of Greenwood with but little inconvenience altho it will mean several miles further for them to reach the gravelled road at Ashland.

Safety First Idea Impressed on Nebraskans

Governor's Proclamation Augmented with Co-Operation of Radio Stations and Newspapers

Although State Safety Week is drawing to a close, it is not too late to offer a few suggestions along this line that need not be confined to a single week out of the fifty-two in each calendar year, but can be practiced insistently by all who are interested in reducing accidents.

It is amazing to read the report sent out showing the number of accidents in Nebraska since January 1st of the present year. Motor cars alone have 2,807 casualties, chalked up against them, of whom 2,575 suffered minor injuries, 57 disabilities and 175 deaths. Other public accidents combined only claimed 816 casualties, of whom 618 were minor injuries, 50 disabilities and 148 deaths.

In the employment group agriculture leads with 532 casualties, divided as follows: 4422 minor injuries, 62 disabilities and 48 deaths. In the industrial group there were 426 casualties, including 332 minor injuries, 45 disabilities and 49 deaths.

Even "home" accidents show an amazing total, with 579 casualties, divided as follows: 455 minor injuries, 49 disabilities and 75 deaths.

The grand total of all these groups is 5,160, of which number 4,402 are minor injuries, 263 disabilities and 495 deaths.

With such figures before us, it certainly behooves every man, woman and child to take interest in Safety First movements, whether they be instituted by his employers, a state agency or just started by himself as the safe, sensible and sane way of doing a thing.

Radio stations are stressing the importance of this Safety Week. Governor Weaver has issued a proclamation calling its importance to everyone residing in Nebraska and there is a general united effort to make it effective.

But, without the real result sought is to make safety measures uppermost in people's minds not only this one week, but throughout the other fifty-one.

Motorists, being responsible for a greater part of the accidents, are urged to check up on their cars, particularly the brakes, lights (for faulty connections of bulbs and glare), wheel alignment, steering mechanism, tires, horn and rear vision mirror. Even though all these may be perfect, safety requirements also include safe driving, operating of cars at moderate rates of speed and obeying traffic regulations, including all stop signs. The car that goes out with an inspection sticker certifying it to be mechanically correct may be the first one to get into a wreck if its driver has not been impressed with the importance of safety measures to the extent that he is willing to obey all regulations.

Instead of a Safety First Week, it is well to think in terms of Safety First Year and then renew the idea every time a new year rolls around.

RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

Mrs. William S. Wetenkamp, who underwent a very serious operation three weeks ago at the Immanuel hospital at Omaha, has so far recovered that she was able to return to her country home near this city Friday.

Mrs. Wetenkamp is feeling very much improved and feels delighted in the manner in which her case was handled. Dr. Herbert Davis, well known Omaha surgeon having handled the operation. The family and many friends of Mrs. Wetenkamp are pleased to see her home again and to know that she is doing so well.

James W. Holmes, local postmaster, will leave Sunday for Detroit, where he is to attend the meeting of the national postmasters association which is to open its sessions on September 10th.

Chicken Thief Draws a Jail Sentence Today

William Armstrong of Near Union Charged With Taking Chickens from Gobelman Farm.

This morning William Armstrong, residing northeast of Union, was arraigned in the county court on a complaint filed against him charging him with having taken six chickens from the farm of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gobelman, of the value of \$3.25, without the knowledge or consent of the owners of the chickens and of having sold the same.

When brought before Judge A. H. Duxbury the young man entered a plea of guilty to the charge and was accordingly bound over to the district court for trial on the offense.

The young man was later arraigned before Judge James T. Begley in the district court and acknowledged his guilt of the charge made by County Attorney W. G. Kleck, also confessing to have taken thirty chickens at different times from the Gobelman farm and selling them to dealers at Nebraska City and Murray.

The court gave Armstrong a sentence of six months in the county jail and he was remanded to the custody of the sheriff to commence the serving of his sentence.

ROUTE D. L. D. TO MISS HASTINGS

Hastings, Sept. 4.—The long controversy over rerouting the D. L. D. highway around Hastings was settled Thursday at a meeting with State Engineer Roy Cochran.

The highway will be sent south a mile at the east edge of the city, thence 12 miles straight west, avoiding three grade crossings and relieving traffic congestion on Second street.

Cochran agreed to let contracts next summer for paving, and to complete part of the paving as well as to grade 12 miles and gravel the unpaved portion. He said the hospital will be connected with the highway with a paved road.

A blunt statement by the engineer that the federal roads bureau would not consider paving west of here while the highway went through the city and over main line grade crossings convinced chamber of commerce members that the course was best.

Alvo Young Men 'Stuck Up' on Highway

Quartet of Young Men Have Exciting Chase from Bandits and Lose Their Funds

When Carl Rosenow, George Kitzel, Stirling Cozman and Walter Vincent of Alvo, were returning from Lincoln on last Sunday evening about midnight, they were followed by a show, they were followed by another car, which they thought at first to be officers of Lincoln, they had supposed the officers were following for illicit traffic in contraband liquor. The boys speeded the Model A which belonged to George Kitzel, but the other car hung on their flank. To shake off the car following, the boys went south of O street and then east, and thought they had run away from the car following and then returned to O street, and when nearing the town of Eagle, they turned north and endeavored to run away from the car following. They passing north until they came near the home of Alva Skinner, when the people in the car following the young men began to shoot and the driver of the boys car stopped, and as they alighted from their car, were covered by revolvers and made to stick up their hands which they were searched. The boys were compelled to all stand with their faces in one direction while their pockets were picked from behind. In all they were relieved of about \$10 in cash, all that the boys had, Stirling Cozman losing the largest, or about \$5.

They struck Mr. Kitzel over the head with something which rendered him unconscious for a time. Then the key was taken from the car by the hold-ups and thrown away and also was the cable from the coil to the distributor. While the boys speeded the car and made some 71 miles per hour, they were not able to get away from the robbers. They searched for the key and cable for a long time but were not able to find them. They finally aroused Alva Skinner who brought the boys home. The following day George Kitzel and father went over and brought the car to Alvo where it was restored to running order by the Alvo garage.

Picnic Season is at hand and the Bates Book Store can supply you with all kinds of supplies—Plates, Knives, Forks, Spoons, Napkins, etc.

FILES AMENDED ACTION

W. G. Boedeker, administrator of the estate of Miss Bertha Lancaster, Cass county young woman who was fatally injured January 2, 1930, in an automobile crash on U. S. 75 a short distance south of the intersection leading into Murray, has filed an amended petition in district court in a suit against Harold Schreiner, Unadilla young man, asking \$15,000 damages, says the Nebraska City News-Press.

In the amended petition filed in the office of Clerk of the District Court John C. Miller, the plaintiff alleges that on January 2 of this year, while Miss Lancaster was riding in a car with Ray Watson of Nebraska City about two and three-quarters of a mile south of the Murray intersection, in Cass county, the defendant, driving at a rate of speed of 60 miles an hour or more in a careless and reckless manner, turned to the wrong side of the highway and crashed into the car driven by Watson in which Miss Lancaster was a passenger.

It is further alleged that the said negligent, wrongful and unlawful act of Schreiner, caused the death of Miss Lancaster.

It is also alleged that by the death of Miss Lancaster, the loss of her services and support of her parents, Earl and Minnie Lancaster, they have been damaged in the sum of \$15,000.

At the time of her death Miss Lancaster was operating a store owned by her parents at Murray, the petition alleges.

WILL MAKE STOPS HEHE

The Pickwick-Grayhound bus line which operates through this city on their long distance trips, will in the future make this place a stopping place and handle local business between this city and other points. The state railway commission has granted the request of the Pickwick company for the handling of local business on their Kansas City-Omaha line and will give additional facilities to the residents of this city.

Louisville Girl Married at Quiet Home Wedding

Stander-Marquardt Nuptials Attended Only by Immediate Families of Contracting Pair.

One of the interesting events of the late summer was the quiet home wedding last Saturday afternoon at three o'clock, when Miss Bernice Stander, daughter of Mrs. Bedella Stander, one of Louisville's highly esteemed citizens, was married to Fred Marquardt, a prominent young business man of Avoca. Rev. Robert D. Murphree, pastor of the M. E. church here, officiated, the ceremony being witnessed only by the immediate families of the contracting pair.

The bride was tastefully gowned in a beautiful blue chiffon velvet, with hat to match. She wore a small corsage bouquet of Ophelia rose buds and a necklace which was the gift of the groom. A cousin of the latter, Francis Marquardt, played Mendelssohn's wedding march. The house was decorated with wild autumn flowers, the bride and couple standing before an altar of goldenrod and other late flowers. The bride's table was decorated with a bouquet of bride's roses.

After the ceremony, a number of friends and relatives arrived to offer their felicitations, and an informal reception was held. No invitations had been issued for the reception, but the young people are held in such high esteem and are regarded with so much affection by all who know them, that everyone came in brimming over with good wishes and congratulations and a very happy time was enjoyed together, the informality of the gathering making it all the more delightful. Bainty refreshments were served.

The bride is a graduate of the Louisville high school and she had finished her junior year at the University of Nebraska, where she belonged to the Kappa Phi, a sorority for girls affiliated with the M. E. denomination. She has been engaged in teaching school, having taught two years before teaching in Louisville the past year. She was re-elected for this year, but on account of her plans to be married she was obliged to decline the school. She is a young lady of great sweetness and charm and has many accomplishments and has stood high in the affection of the community and will make a splendid wife.

The groom attended Doane college, at Crete, for two years, where he was a member of Tau Sigma Zeta fraternity. He is also a graduate of the University of Nebraska, where he belonged to Delta Sigma Pi fraternity. He is engaged in business with his father, Louis C. Marquardt, and the family is one of the prominent ones of that part of Cass county. The union of these fine young people has the sanction and approval of their host of friends.—Louisville Courier.

County Sheriff to Have Blood Hounds on Force

Sheriff Bert Reed and Deputy Rex Young Make Purchase of Trained Trailers.

The law enforcing officers of Cass county are in the future to have assistants in trailing law violators, in the shape of two bloodhounds, which will be available in case of grave crimes in tracing down the parties who may commit the offenses.

The two hounds, 18 and seven months old, were purchased by Sheriff Reed and Deputy Sheriff Rex Young, personally, but the county will have the benefit of the use of the hounds in cases of emergency.

The trailers were purchased from Dick Fulton, widely known breeder of bloodhounds at Beatrice, and as soon as the younger dog is given a training the two animals will be brought here.

It is hoped to have a pen for the dogs built near the jail and where they can be ready as the need may be for their services.

There have been a great many cases where the use of bloodhounds would have been of greatest advantage in trailing chicken thieves and other law violators and henceforth the officers will be all ready to turn the hounds loose on any hot trails they may have in crime cases.

COOK FAMILY GATHERING

Last Sunday, August 31st, at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Valley near Murray, occurred a meeting of the Cook family.

At the annual reunion held in June, it was voted to meet again during the state fair season, in honor of relatives from a distance, who came to attend the fair.

These plans were carried out and having an ideal day the crowd assembled with well filled baskets and soon the large table was arranged with a variety of sumptuous food.

After the dinner a short business session was presided over by the president, A. H. Weichel of Elmwood. The remainder of the time was spent in visiting and renewing of old times with the relatives who are unable to attend the annual reunion held in June.

Those present out of the county were: Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Cook, of Beaver City, Neb., Mr. and Mrs. Andy Cook and son of Arcadia, Neb., Mr. and Mrs. Ed Cook and son, of Ord, Neb., Mr. and Mrs. Harry Vought, and son of Ord, Neb., Mr. Earl V. Cole, Brule, Neb.

County W. C. T. U. to Hold Convention Thursday

Sessions Will Be Held at the Methodist Church at Weeping Water—Have Fine Program

The Women's Christian Temperance union of Cass county will hold their county convention at Weeping Water on Thursday, September 11th, the meeting being an all day session which will open at 9:45 and continue through the day.

The convention will be presided over by Mrs. Fred H. Gorder of Weeping Water, the county president.

The meeting will be very largely attended and a very large number from this city is expected to be in attendance at the meetings and several of the local ladies will be on the program.

The program of the convention will be as follows:

9:45 a. m.—Song—America the Beautiful. Salute to the flag. Devotionals—Rev. Morey. Greetings—Mrs. Ruby Moritz. Response—Mrs. Irene McFall. Report of County Officers. Appointment of Committees. Reading—Avoca. Election of Officers. Vocal Duet—Mrs. D. R. Frans and Mrs. C. B. Smith. Report of Local Unions. Report of County Directors. Standard of Efficiency. Noon Tide Prayer—Mrs. W. C. Timblin. Memorial—Mrs. W. B. Banning.

12:29 p. m.—Luncheon. 1:30 p. m.—Devotionals—Mrs. Wescott, Plattsmouth. Piano and Saxophone—Elmwood. Vocal Solo—Mrs. Genevieve Hays. Address by Assistant Atty-Gen'l C. L. Rein. Vocal Number—Mrs. R. W. Coatsman and daughters. Address—Rev. Pinkham. Reading—Mrs. Robert Troop. Playlet—Louisville. Vocal Number—Eagle. Adjournment.

NIGHT WORK RESUMED

From Friday's Daily—The night force at the Lyman-Richey sand and gravel pits northwest of this city, which has for the past several nights been taking an enforced vacation, last evening resumed work, being called back suddenly onto the job due to rush orders that had been received.

The slack period was largely caused by the fact that many contracting gangs engaged in road work in Iowa were moving from one location to another and therefore the active work of road surfacing was held up for some days. The local pits furnish a great deal of material to the state of Iowa for road work, the state maintaining inspectors and checkers here to examine the gravel as it is prepared and loaded for shipment to our neighboring state.

Legion Vets of Two Posts to Hold Picnic

Plattsmouth and South Omaha Posts Will Enjoy Big Gathering at Naeve's Park Sept. 14.

One of the always pleasant get-together meetings of the American Legion posts of Plattsmouth and South Omaha, "The Melting Pot," post, will be held on Sunday, September 14th at Naeve's park, just north of this city and which is in easy distance of both cities.

This occasion will be one in which the veterans and their families, if they have one, and also the auxiliary members will join in making it a really establishing event for both attendance and fun.

The committee in charge are to try and arrange to have the band of Omaha post No. 1, which is to go to the national convention in October, to be at the picnic and give a concert.

A very elaborate program of sports and entertainment is being prepared by W. R. Holly, local Legion promoter and large table was arranged with a variety of sumptuous food. After the dinner a short business session was presided over by the president, A. H. Weichel of Elmwood. The remainder of the time was spent in visiting and renewing of old times with the relatives who are unable to attend the annual reunion held in June.

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NEW FAIR BARN

The work has progressed rapidly toward changing the former Jameson lumber yard at Weeping Water into an up to date fair barn. The buildings were purchased several weeks ago by the Cass County Fair Association and recently men from over the county have kindly donated their time to help with the remodeling. Electric lights have been put in ready for use. Stalls will accommodate 41 head of horses and 28 head of cattle, with room for other sheep, hogs or extra stalls as needed. The front building will undoubtedly be used for poultry and two tents will be erected on the grounds previous to the fair. The most recent work is a dandy new tin roof just completed.

STATE ABLE TO CANCEL DEBTS

Lincoln, Sept. 4.—Nebraska's finances are firmly enough entrenched to permit payment of all current debts until the next tax funds come in December without going "into the red," State Treasurer Stebbins announced Thursday.

The general fund balance at the close of August business was \$2,164,045, with all other funds equally as well balanced for the four-month period.

The capitol fund balance was \$443,965.27; fish and game, \$165,889; motor vehicle fund, \$238,510; gasoline tax, \$1,276,700, all other current revenue funds brought the grand total to \$5,196,210. There remained due from banks a total of \$6,006,002.

MRS. TODD VERY LOW

The Cass county friends of Mrs. A. L. Todd of near Ashland, a former resident here, will regret very much to learn that Mrs. Todd is very seriously ill at her home and her condition is such as to give a great deal of apprehension to the members of the family as to the recovery of the patient. The Todd family were residents near this city for a great many years before moving to Saunders county.

GOLDEN ROD STUDY CLUB

The Mynard Goldenrod study club will meet with Mrs. Glenn Wiles, Thursday, Sept. 11th at 2:30. Assistant hostesses, Mrs. Roy Cole and Mrs. Adda Perry. All members are urged to be present.

Death of Pioneer of Cass County Occurred Friday

Perry Mann, Son of Pioneer Rock Bluffs Family, Passes Away; Brother of Mrs. D. A. Young.

The message was received here last evening by Mrs. D. A. Young of the death yesterday of her youngest brother, Perry Mann, aged 67, which occurred at the family home at Morehead Iowa, following a short illness. Mr. and Mrs. Young and Mrs. Ona Lawton and son, Lyle Lawton, departed this morning for Morehead to attend the funeral services.

The deceased was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mann who came to the pioneer settlement of Rock Bluffs in 1855 and where the family resided for a great many years, and it was here that Mr. Mann grew to manhood and will be remembered by many of the older residents. His death is the third among the brothers and sisters in the past twenty-three months. He has made his home in Iowa for a great many years and where he was a prominent and active figure in the life of that community.

Mr. Mann is survived by the widow, one son and one daughter, as well as several grandchildren, all living at Morehead. Of this family there are also surviving one brother, Grant Mann of Morehead, and three sisters, Mrs. William Williver of Morehead, Mrs. D. A. Young of near this city, and Mrs. J. Q. Connolly of Flora, Oregon.

PICNIC PARTY AT KING HILL

From Saturday's Daily—Last evening a very pleasant picnic party was enjoyed by a number of Plattsmouth people in honoring Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Churchill of Twin Falls, Idaho, who are here visiting with the relatives in this part of Cass county. The picnic was held just east of the old White farm at the foot of King Hill, east of Murray and one of the beauty spots of eastern Nebraska. Here the members of the party enjoyed a most wonderful picnic supper and the opportunity of visiting with the relatives from the northwest. Those who participated in the picnic were Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Wiles, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Wetenkamp and little daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Wiles and Peggy Jane, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schneider, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Rawls, Rev. and Mrs. H. G. McCluskey and daughter, Catherine, Mrs. W. S. Smith of Murray, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Holmes and Mr. Morrison.

Local committee on transportation and other details are being organized to make the occasion one that will be most fitting for the veterans and their families and friends.

Pre-School Vaccination Advocated

State's Public Health Director Urges Measure to Guard Against Fall Epidemics

Lincoln, Sept. 4.—Summarizing the state's health condition at the conclusion of a summer season marked with a decrease in many communicable diseases and increase in others, Dr. H. P. Bartholomew, director of public health, cautioned parents to consider the wisdom of vaccinating their children prior to the start of school.

The slogan should be, he said, "One scar or many!"

"Wise parents will see that their children are protected against the scourge of smallpox by vaccination. This form of safe prevention is advised at this time, as indications point to an increase of this disease during the coming year."

Diphtheria Prevalent

Diphtheria incidence, he added, emphasizes the need of protecting the youngsters by use of toxin-antitoxin.

"With this dependable protective measure no one can longer run the risk of this serious disease," Dr. Bartholomew declared.

In a word to teachers of the state, the health director urged them to not hesitate in excluding from classes any pupil apparently ill or suspected of being ill.

Lists Disease Summary
"The principle of prevention must be uppermost in mind if incidence of disease is kept down and epidemics averted. School boards will swatmen this constructive procedure," he added.
Dr. Bartholomew warned against the practice of closing schools when disease was detected, declaring the procedure was faulty unless children were rigidly isolated upon their own premises.
His summary of illnesses for August showed a total of 25 chicken-pox cases, 19 diphtheria, 2 influenza, 28 measles, 12 poliomyelitis, 17 scarlet fever, 36 smallpox, 20 typhoid fever.—Bee-News.