

## Face the Facts

**TORNADOES** and windstorms are a real danger and insurance is the only protection against loss.

**FIRES** may destroy many properties this spring and insurance is the only protection against loss.

**CAR WRECKS** will start law suits and cost thousands of dollars in this county.

The wise man will spend a little to avoid the **CHANCE** of losing all he has.

**Why Take Chances?**

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The Awoent Camp Fire met at the public library on March 23, 1932. Cards were given out to the rest of the members that didn't get there cards at the council fire.

We decided to elect new officers that will be in office in April. The officers are as follows: Jacquelin Grassman, president; Anna Marie Rea, vice-president; Joan Moore, secretary; Jane Rehal, scribe.

We will continue the election of officers as we didn't have time. We will continue the election on Wed. March 30, 1932. We will elect the song leader and the monitor.  
JOAN MOORE, Scribe.

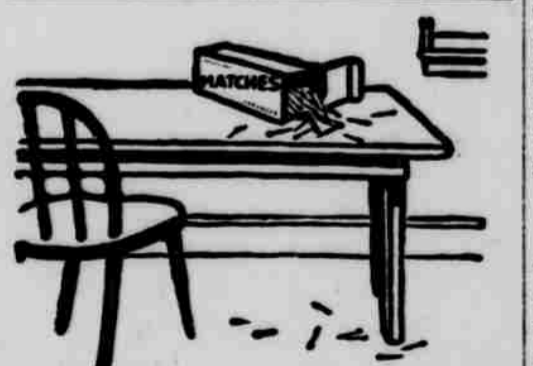
The To He Ho camp fire group met at the home of Jean Knorr. We planned an Easter party for Saturday afternoon and practiced for our story hour program.  
BEATRICE ARN, Scribe.

### MARRIED AT CITY HALL

Thursday evening at the office of Judge C. L. Graves in the city hall occurred the marriage of Miss Blanche Sievert and Vincent R. Smolnick, both of Omaha. The ceremony was performed in the usual impressive manner of the genial Judge. The wedding was witnessed by John Kohout and Miss Betty Jones, also of Omaha. Following the wedding the bridal party returned to their homes in Omaha.

### GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES

From Friday's Daily  
The observance of Good Friday the anniversary of the crucifixion of Christ, one of the most sacred days in the annals of the Christian church, was extensively observed here today. There were services for the entire day in the Catholic and Episcopal churches as well as special services at the St. Paul's Evangelical church. A large number attended the three hour service of penitence held from noon to three o'clock.



**TOO OFTEN** little fingers slyly steal some matches... and then off in some dark corner a "mysterious" fire suddenly starts.

Keep all the matches in your home out of reach of children's fingers. Do everything you can to prevent fire but also be adequately insured. Regrets are very unsatisfactory substitutes for sound insurance protection.

**Searl S. Davis**  
Also Farm Loans and Investments

## K. of C. to Observe 50th Anniversary Tuesday

Summary of the Order's Growth and Activities During Half a Century.

On March 29, some 600,000 Knights of Columbus in the United States, Canada, Philippines Islands, Panama, Cuba, Mexico, Puerto Rico, Newfoundland and Alaska will celebrate the golden anniversary of the founding of the order. Unfortunately not one of the eleven original incorporators of the society will join in the anniversary observance. The last two survivors, William M. Geary and Cornelius T. Driscoll, of New Haven, Conn., died during 1931.

**Founded in 1882.**  
The story of the growth of the Knights of Columbus through fifty years constitutes a romantic and inspiring record. Back in 1882, Reverend Michael J. McGivney, curate at St. Mary's Church, in New Haven, Connecticut, perceived the need for a fraternal organization that Catholic men could join without conscientious difficulty. He realized that some Catholic organization should be created that would combine solid fraternal benefits with the attractiveness of selected membership and secret initiation, yet which would not be oath-bound but secret only upon the promise of man to man, with this promise ever yielding to the authority of church and state. He talked over his idea with a group of men of his parish and at their third meeting, the name "Knights of Columbus" was selected. Petition for a charter was speedily granted and, on March 29, 1882, the Knights of Columbus became the first national fraternal organization to be incorporated in Connecticut. The original incorporators were Reverend Michael J. McGivney, Reverend Patrick Lawlor, Matthew C. O'Connor, Cornelius T. Driscoll, James T. Mullen, John T. Kerrigan, Daniel Colwell, William M. Geary, Thomas M. Carroll, Bartholomew Healy and Michael Curran.

**Catholic and Patriotic.**  
The conservativ spirit that has been the order's safeguard was manifest from the very beginning. In spite of many applications, the founders were loath to allow the membership to increase rapidly, wishing to have a charter list easily manageable from the outset. It was decided that a ceremonial should be written in three sections, or degrees, the basis of the present first three degrees of the order. It was further decided that only Catholic and patriotic allusions should be used in the ceremonial. The completing of the constitution required several months of research and its publication was deferred until the society found sufficient funds for this purpose in 1883.

The fourth degree, whose primary purpose is to inculcate a love of country and to stress the duties of citizenship, was added to the ceremonial in 1900. On Washington's birthday, of that year, in New York City, 1,100 members received the new degree and this year, as part of the order's observance of the Washington Bicentennial, exemplifications of the fourth degree were held in more than forty cities throughout the country on February 21 and 22. The election of the first Supreme Council was held May 16, 1882, and James T. Mullen was named first Supreme Knight. The first subordinate council was formed at the same time, named then, and still named, San Salvador, No. 1, of New Haven.

**A Fraternal Benefit Society.**  
The advance of the Knights of Columbus beyond the borders of Connecticut was inevitable. Had its development at this stage been in hands less capable of controlling the action of the new machinery, the order might have suffered from ill-considered and too rapid expansion. But the standard of membership was rigidly maintained. By the early spring of 1892, councils had been instituted in more than sixty cities and towns of Connecticut and Rhode Island, the membership exceeded 6,000 and the order's existence as a factor in American life was well established.

Father McGivney conceived the order as a fraternal benefit society and during the first ten years none but insurance members were accepted. In 1892, the Supreme Knight recommended that associate members be admitted and his recommendation was adopted. This was considered a radical move at the time but it was destined greatly to enhance the order's power. By 1904 only two states of the Union were without councils of the Knights of Columbus and cities in these soon

applied for and received charters. Already represented in Canada, the society now spread into the Philippine Islands, Mexico, Panama, Cuba, Puerto Rico and Alaska. Today, with a membership of 600,000 in more than 2,500 councils, the order has reached an eminence undreamed of by its founders. In ascribing this growth to its principal cause, the need of a society for Catholics that could offer social advantages heightened by a background of practical religion, we must not lose sight of the enormous amount of human energy required to build up the organization to international magnitude, achieving results unprecedented in the history of American fraternal societies.

### OMAHA STAGES MOB SCENE

Omaha.—Residents in the neighborhood of Twenty-fifth and Center streets must have wondered just what mammoth crime had been committed in their midst when three carloads of officers and an ambulance converged on the intersection at the same time Thursday.

The ambulance was seeking Frank Hainowski, thirty-nine, laborer, who had been struck in the hip by a stray bullet. The carload of police that accompanied the ambulance was seeking three boys who were shooting pigeons. One of the three fired the bullet that struck Hainowski, police said.

The other two carloads of officers were seeking Mrs. Florence Nielsen, Omaha, who, a report to headquarters said, had just driven her car into another.

After much searching Hainowski was found and taken to a hospital. The three boys were found and turned over to juvenile authorities. Mrs. Nielsen was arrested on charges of reckless driving and drunkenness and her companion, Harry Clark, was arrested on a charge of drunkenness.

### PINNED UNDER TRUCK

From Thursday's Daily  
Clifford Owens, 26, of Herman, Nebraska, is at the Tekamah General hospital being treated for a broken rib and possible internal injuries, suffered when he was pinned under a truck on Sunday night.

Owens is employed at the West Brothers garage at Herman and on Sunday night received a call from a truck driver who was stalled two miles north of Herman because of a damaged tire.

Arriving at the scene Owens found it necessary to remove the tire from the truck and was using three jacks to block up the rear axle when the hogs that comprised the load of the truck, started to mill around and shifted the weight onto the side of the truck that was being jacked up, the result being that the truck tipped over and caught the young man under it. Owens was finally rescued from his plight and taken to the Tekamah hospital for treatment.

The injured young man is well known in this city where he has often visited and he is a brother of Mrs. Henry Lamphere and Mrs. Marion Taylor of this city.

### DIES AT OMAHA

Frank W. Schultz, 36, assistant engineer of the Union Pacific, died on Tuesday evening at the home, 1823 North 49th avenue, Omaha. Mr. Schultz is a former resident of Lincoln and is well known in this city, his wife being formerly Miss Margaret Seybert, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Seybert of Havelock. He is survived by the widow, on daughter, Jean, of Omaha, the parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Schultz of Havelock and one sister, Mrs. William of Lincoln.

The body is at the Gentlemen's mortuary and the funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Scottish Rite cathedral, conducted by Nebraska lodge No. 1, A. F. & A. M. Interment will be at the West Lawn cemetery.

### PLEASANT VIEW P. T. A.

The Pleasant View P. T. A. met at the school house Friday evening, March 11. After the business meeting the young people of the community presented a three act comedy, "Amy from Arizona," which was enjoyed by the large crowd present. Refreshments were served by a committee consisting of Mrs. Will Stoll and Mrs. DeForest Philpot.

### CORRECTION

In the account of the accident of Clifford Owens in the Journal Thursday, it was stated that he was a brother of Mrs. H. A. Lamphere. This is incorrect, he being a brother-in-law of Mr. Lamphere and Chas. Lamphere.

## President of the School Board States Position

Presents Views as to the Cost of Schools and Present Situation in Board.

To the Editor of the Plattsmouth Journal:  
In view of the wild rumors floating about Plattsmouth regarding the present school situation I believe it is time that the public received the facts in the case. As president of the board of education I consider it my duty to make a public statement covering the whole case.

In the first place this is not a contest for the reduction of school taxes. Every member of the board of education is committed to tax reduction and perfectly willing to reduce school costs wherever possible, providing such reductions do not interfere with the present efficiency of the public schools. The Plattsmouth schools are regarded as among the best in the state and we want no short-sighted policy of economy to mar this standing. Furthermore a part of our school revenue is derived from free high school tuition received from the county in payment of tuition of rural school students attending the Plattsmouth high school. This tuition amounts to approximately \$7500 a year. Any radical changes in our high school curriculum will result in many of these students attending other high schools next year with the consequent reduction in such revenue for Plattsmouth. But if the public will co-operate it is possible to cut the present school levy approximately 20% without either reducing school efficiency or eliminating any important subjects from the high school curriculum. This reduction will be made by reducing teachers' salaries, eliminating some teaching positions now on the payroll and by further savings in the purchase of textbooks and supplies.

Contrary to the wild rumors being peddled by agitators about the streets of Plattsmouth, the board is practically agreed on the amounts and the manner in which such economies will be made. Salary reductions amounting to \$10,000 were approved by officers of the board. Frank Clويد, Emil Wurl and myself, and presented at the regular March meeting of the board for its approval. These savings include two positions eliminated this year but which were included in the year's tax levy. The total teacher payroll this year amounts to \$48,625.00. These proposed salary reductions amount to better than 20% of the total teacher payroll. In addition to this saving further economies will be effected on janitors' wages, textbooks and supplies.

In accordance with this salary budget a proposed salary schedule was drawn up and presented at an adjourned meeting of the board held in my office Wednesday afternoon, March 9. On the first ballot the board divided 50-50 on the re-election of the superintendent, R. W. Knorr, Frank Clويد and Mrs. Gorder voting no. Apparently there is no criticism being made of the superintendent's training, experience or management of the city schools; his high standing among schoolmen of the state is readily admitted; his character and personal integrity remain unchallenged. Rumors have been spread about town that Mr. Bailey not only refuses to accept a reduction in salary but is asking \$400 increase in salary. Such statements are nothing less than malicious falsehoods. Since coming to Plattsmouth Mr. Bailey has never asked an increase in salary. Such increases as he has received have been granted by the board of education without solicitation from him.

Mr. Bailey was elected to the superintendency of the Plattsmouth schools in the spring of 1926. Searl Davis, then president of the board, and I drove to Newman Grove to investigate his administration in the schools there. We were instructed by our board to offer him a contract if we found conditions favorable. He had served the Newman Grove schools for eight years and still we heard nothing but words of commendation in response to our inquiries. Before leaving town we offered him a contract for one year at \$3,000 and he accepted. At the close of his first year in Plattsmouth the board tendered him a three year contract at \$3200-\$3400-\$3600. He is re-

### CLUB HELD

Club was held at Miss Janet Westover's Thursday from 3:30 to 5 o'clock. We had a very delightful gathering. We played games. There were 3 prizes, those who won being Edith Luschinsky, first prize, Berla Ault, second prize, Maxine Nielson, 3rd prize. Refreshments were served by the hostess, Miss Janet Westover. The following officers were elected: Janet Westover, president; Gertrude Taylor, vice president; Annamary McEaken, secretary; and Lila Jane Elliott scribe. We will have club every two weeks at the same place.  
ROSE MARY STEPPAT, Scribe.

### HERE FROM CALIFORNIA

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Lowry and Mrs. Ethel Johnson, of Oakland, California, are here to enjoy a visit with the relatives and old time friends. The ladies are daughters of A. J. Graves, who was for a great many years one of the leading members of the Cass county bar. The California party have been visiting with relatives and friends at Lincoln for the past few days.

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ceived no further increase nor has he ever asked for any. His present salary is \$3600.

Furthermore Mr. Bailey has never opposed reductions in teachers salaries. On the contrary in making his regular annual recommendations to the board for re-election of teachers, he recommended salary reductions, including his own, approximately 10%. He even offered to take a greater reduction than this himself if the board felt that present conditions required it. For eighteen years our superintendent has served the schools of Nebraska in but four different towns. He was two years at Rosalie, two years at Ruskin, eight years at Newman Grove and is completing his sixth year in Plattsmouth. In all these years of honest, devoted, professional service this is the first time that his re-election has ever been questioned, let alone denied. Plattsmouth, not Mr. Bailey, will be on trial before the bar of public opinion if ill considered action on our part is allowed to mar such a splendid record of professional service to the public schools of Nebraska.

As I stated before, the board is hopelessly deadlocked. The four candidates selected by the recent school caucus are pledged to continue the opposition. If any two of these candidates are elected to the board the present deadlock will continue with the consequent elimination of some of our very best teachers including our superintendent. Such a catastrophe cannot fail to demoralize the whole school system.

FRANK L. CUMMINS,  
President of the Board of Education.

## Taxpayers League Asks Reduction

File Resolutions with County Clerk Asking Less Levy for County Expenditures.

From Friday's Daily  
The Cass County Taxpayers league meeting at Elmwood which was attended by many from all parts of the county, joined in asking that the expenses of the county be reduced as much as possible and the valuation of farm lands be lowered.

The following resolutions were adopted by the meeting:  
Whereas by reason of the economic depression, the present values of farm lands have fallen off greatly, and in many instances less than the assessed value thereof; and  
Whereas the market values of all farm products including corn, grains, hay and livestock have greatly decreased and such decrease in the market value has been so great that the farmers, land owners and home owners are unable to pay the present rate of taxation; and  
Whereas, of the total of the assessed valuation of all assessable property in Cass county in the year 1931 was \$52,281,346.00, and of the total assessed valuation \$37,142,971.00 was assessed on lands, or the lands of Cass county were valued at an average of \$108.78 per acre which is greatly in excess of the present land values in said county, and nearly three-fourths of the entire assessed value of all property in said county; therefore,

Be It Resolved, that the Cass County Taxpayers' League recommend to the Board of County Commissioners that a reduction be made in the expenditures for the year 1932 taxes, and that the taxpayers so assembled insist upon the greatest reduction in expenditures possible to be made.

Be It Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be filed with the County Clerk of said county and be offered to the newspapers of said county for publication.

### WOOD CUTTING BEE AT LEE FARIS HOME

A group of eleven men gathered at the farm home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Faris Wednesday to cut up a supply of fire wood for the family. Mr. Faris having been very poorly this winter.  
Four ladies also came along to see that the men were provided the renewed energy necessary to continue throughout the day, when the dinner bell sounded at the noon hour.  
A generous supply of fuel was hauled in and is being sawed into stove length, today, Thursday.  
The ax wielders included Herman Comer, Moss McCarroll, J. C. Snaveley, Charles Garrison, Clifton Garrison, Tom McQuinn, J. C. Niday, Stacy Niday, Loy Poll, Elmer Cornell and John Reider.  
To assist in the culinary art came Mesdames J. C. Snaveley, Herman Comer and Moss McCarroll and Miss Kathryn McCarroll.  
Mr. Faris states that words fail in expressing his thanks for this generous act of his friends and neighbors.

### TO VISIT HERE

From Thursday's Daily  
Mrs. G. W. Pugsley and Miss Hazel Bigelow of Bayard, Nebr., motored in from their homes in the western part of the state for a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Stamp.  
George Pugsley, Jr., who attends school in Lincoln accompanied the ladies for a few days visit.  
Journal Want-Ads cost only a few cents and get real results!

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The Spur-Royale—a new idea—differently constructed from any other tie. Advertised in the Saturday Evening Post—taking the country by storm. You want to see it!  
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## LOCAL NEWS

From Friday's Daily  
John L. Smith, of Nehawka, was in the city for a short time today looking after some matters of business.

Attorney Carl D. Ganz of Alvo, was among the visitors in the city today, attending to several cases in the county court.

Donald Born and Weldon Stoehr, two of the well known young farmers of this community, were in Omaha today where they were called on some matters of importance.  
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heil, Jr., and son, Glenn, of near Louisville, were in the city Thursday for a few hours visiting with friends and looking after some matters of business.

From Saturday's Daily  
County Attorney W. G. Kieck departed Saturday morning for Kansas City in company with Attorney D. O. Dwyer where they will take depositions in some litigations.

Attorney T. F. Wiles, of Omaha, was here today to attend to some matters of business and also visiting with the relatives and friends.

Mrs. Otto Keck and daughter, Shirley, departed Friday night for Creston, Iowa, where they are to enjoy the Easter day there with the many relatives and friends.

### RIVER BREAKS IN TO STATE LAKES

When the ice blockade in the Platte river caused a break in the embankment of one of the lakes and permitted the water from the river to flow into it many were of the belief that the lake was ruined for fishing. While it is true that undesirable fish perhaps entered the lake in great numbers it is said that the damage done in this respect will be more than offset by mud and sand washing into the lake. The lakes (which were formerly sand pits) are too deep for the spawning and propagation of fish, is the belief of Game Warden Ed Schiater. He says that by far the best fishing has been in the long lake at the west end of the state grounds through which the river ran for several weeks a few years ago, filled up the deep holes and leaving it in better condition for fish propagation than when it was from 15 to 40 feet in depth.  
The break in the river bank, however, is being repaired by the Lyman-Richey Sand & Gravel company under an agreement to protect the lakes for a period of years.—Louisville Courier.

### LAND VALUES LOOKING UP

From Saturday's Daily  
W. E. Rosencrans closed a deal this week whereby Miss Nellie Dreamer becomes the owner of eighty acres of unimproved land just north of the Bent Livingston home immediately south of this city, and belonging to Mr. Livingston. This eighty was sold to Miss Dreamer for \$150 per acre. It is a choice piece of land, just off the pavement, and close to the city. We did not learn as to whether or not Miss Dreamer will improve the land or retain as an investment for the future.

### "See it before you Buy it."

## Spring Sweaters

**\$1.00 - \$1.95**  
Now is the time for light weight sweaters — and now is the time to save money on them.  
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With Sleeves to - \$1.95  
All Colors, Weights and Weaves

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