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## Fine Program Given by Presbyterian Church

Musical Offerings and Sketches Make Fine Event—Men's Chorus Makes Initial Bow.

From Thursday's Daily  
One of the most delightful musical treats of the season was presented last evening at the Fellowship room of the First Presbyterian church in the program that was sponsored by Circle No. 4 of the church.

The program was varied and one that reflected the greatest credit on the clever artists that participated in the evening's entertainment.

The string ensemble, composed of Mildred Knoflicek, Billy Evers, Wallace Terryberry, Alice Hiatt and Rachel Robertson, were heard in a group of two selections, "Minuet" by Haydn and "Pilgrim's Chorus" by Wagner. Mrs. Cora Williams Reeder, former music supervisor and who had several years' training of the members, was the accompanist.

Bernice Wieland, gave two cleverly presented readings, "Pants" and "A Cullud Woman on the Phone," which were a much enjoyed feature of the event.

Miss Jean Knorr, one of the young piano artists of the city was heard in a group of two selections, "Wishes Dances" and "To a Waterlily," by MacDowell, which reflected the fine talent of the player.

The Men's Chorus, which has been organized for a short time, made their first public appearance on the program in three numbers and revealed to the music lovers of the city that another fine organization has been added to the many groups in the city. There are twenty in the chorus and their first appearance was one that gives the hope that they may be heard here often in the future. The chorus was under the direction of Hoyt Griffin and with Rev. G. A. Pahl as the accompanist.

Billy Robertson, youthful xylophone artist, was heard in selections on this instrument and Billy proved a big hit in his contribution to the evening's entertainment.

The one act operetta, "Cathia's Strategy," was given by Mrs. Gilbert Hinz, Miriam Tritsch, Hoyt Griffin and Greth Garnett. This was an act full of fun and many cleverly presented situations that was very much enjoyed by the large number present.

### HAVE FINE MEETING

Last evening Home chapter No. 189 of the Eastern Star had a very fine attendance of the members to meet Mrs. Nettie Hollingsworth, Millford, district supervisor of the Nebraska grand chapter.

The officers of the chapter conducted the ritualistic work for the inspector and received high praise for the splendid manner in which the ritual was exemplified.

There were a large number of visitors and one grand chapter representative, Miss Clara Weyrich, representing the grand chapter of Texas, Mrs. George B. Mann, who has been a member of the Peru chapter for a great many years as well as John Miller, worthy patron of the Springfield chapter. A number of the Star members from the Nebraska Masonic Home were also in attendance at the meeting.

Following the chapter work the members were served with dainty and much appreciated refreshments by the committee in charge.

### JOLLY WORKERS CLUB

The Jolly Workers club held their meeting at the home of Mrs. John Rummel. A very fine lesson was given on meat cookery and meat dishes. The leaders prepared some of the dishes which were served with the lunch and was enjoyed by all. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Verner Melsing.

### HAVE NEW AMBULANCE

The Horton funeral home in this city has just purchased a new Buick ambulance that will in the future be used in calls for service. The new car is of the latest type and makes a fine addition to the equipment of the funeral home.

### MANY ATTEND MEETINGS

The state conference of the Daughters of the American Revolution which is held in Omaha this week has attracted a large number of the members of Fontenelle chapter of this city to take part in the various sessions and social features that is a part of the meeting. Mrs. E. H. Westcott, past state regent, of this city, presided over the luncheon of the past presidents group which was one of the features of the Wednesday program of the conference.

## Capture Wanted Man Wednesday Near Columbus

Clarence Houch to Be Returned Here on Forgery Charge—Sheriff Goes After Prisoner Today.

Sheriff Homer Sylvester has been engaged for the past several days in search for a young man named Clarence Houch, who was wanted here on a forgery charge but had been able to make his getaway before the charges were filed with the authorities.

The Cass county sheriff, with his usual efficiency, at once got busy and had descriptions of the wanted man sent to localities where he suspected that he might later turn up.

Wednesday the efforts of the sheriff were rewarded by the message from Columbus that the man was held in jail at that place to await the coming of the Cass county authorities to claim him.

It seems Wednesday that the sheriff of Platte county was driving out of Columbus when he passed a stranger walking along the highway and whose appearance recalled to the officer that he had a description of the man in his office and he at once turned his car around drove back toward where he had seen the man.

The stranger asked the sheriff for a ride into Columbus and which he granted and engaged the man in conversation, learning that he was acquainted in Plattsmouth. The man stated that he was looking for a job on a drag line and was on his way to the Platte county employment agency. When the sheriff and his passenger reached Columbus the officer informed the man that he was wanted at Plattsmouth and was under arrest.

This morning Sheriff Sylvester drove to Columbus to secure the man and have him returned to this city.

### VERY PAINFULLY BURNED

James E. Warga, one of the prominent farmers of the East Rock Bluffs section, was very severely burned Wednesday afternoon in an explosion of gasoline and while the injuries are painful it is not thought they will be dangerous.

Mr. Warga was engaged in filling a tank for a gasoline engine when in some manner the gasoline ignited and the flames leaped up, burning both hands as well as scorching the skin on his cheeks and singed his eyebrows as the blaze swept over him.

Mr. Warga came on to this city where his injuries were dressed at the office of Dr. R. P. Westover and the injured man made as comfortable as possible, altho it will be several days before he regains the use of his hands.

### CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

From Thursday's Daily  
Yesterday was the forty-seventh birthday anniversary of George A. Kaffenberger, one of the prominent farmers of west of this city, honoring the occasion a number of the friends came in to surprise George and have a real old fashioned birthday party.

The affair was a "stag" and the members of the party came prepared to enjoy themselves and give the guest of honor a fitting observance of the event.

The evening was spent in playing pinocle and other games and which served to pass the time most delightfully until a late hour when the contents of well laden baskets were brought forth and a fine luncheon served.

## Pretty Home Wedding Held at Wabash

Miss Aloie Gerbeling United in Marriage to Mr. Lloyd A. McCoy of Lincoln. Tuesday.

On Tuesday evening, March 19th, 1935 at eight o'clock at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Gerbeling of Wabash, occurred the marriage of their daughter, Aloie to Mr. Lloyd A. McCoy. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Wm. Taylor, of the Baptist church of Union, Nebraska. The ceremony was performed before a background of a bay window of house plants. The music was MacDowell's "To a Wild Rose" for the lighting of the candles and Lohengrin for the bridal procession. The pianist was Mrs. C. L. Bosley, twin sister of the bride. The bride's gown was of white satin, floor length and she wore a veil. The bridal bouquet was of white roses. The lighting of the candles by Miss Edna McCoy and Mrs. L. C. Aukler, sisters of the groom. Mrs. Ralph Colbert, sister of the bride, acted as attendant and wore powder blue chiffon dress and carried a bouquet of pale pink roses. The ring was carried by Larry Lee Bosley, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Bosley. Ralph Colbert acted as best man.

A reception immediately followed the ceremony. The table was decorated with wedding cake in the center, decorated with a small bride and groom, also two white candles tied with tulle.

The bride's traveling suit was a navy blue two piece waffle-weave crepe dress, light blue coat trimmed in blue-grey fox and navy blue accessories.

The bride and groom will make their home in Lincoln. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Gerbeling of Wabash and the groom a son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. McCoy of Falls City, Nebraska.

The many friends of the bride here extend to her and her husband the best wishes for a long, happy, and prosperous wedded life.

The following parties have been given in honor of the bride at Lincoln: Mrs. F. E. Dearts, kitchen shower; The Misses Margaret Peterson and Ruby Polhemus, miscellaneous shower; Mrs. R. T. Colbert, miscellaneous shower for relatives; Mrs. Claude Pelger, miscellaneous shower. At Wabash at the home of H. P. Hinds, miscellaneous shower, hostesses Mrs. Wm. Murfin and Mrs. Guy Hinds.—Elmwood Leader-Echo.

### HOLD PLEASANT MEETING

The Social Workers Flower club held their meeting for this month at the pleasant home of Mrs. Philip Lepert, south of this city and where a large attendance of the members were present to join in the interesting event. Mrs. Lepert was associated with Miss Helen Johnson in the entertaining.

Mrs. Jack Stamp, president of the club, presided and the ladies had a short business session.

The hostesses at an appropriate hour served a most delicious luncheon to add to the pleasures of the members of the party.

The next meeting of the club will be on April 10th at the home of Mrs. George Mumma and with Mrs. F. W. Nolting as the associate hostess.

### SUFFERS INJURY

Mrs. Hattie Kirker of this city has received word of a serious accident that befell her little grandson a few days ago at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kirker of near Ashland. The lad was in the kitchen of the home and while other members of the family were engaged in their tasks he pulled a tea kettle of boiling water from the kitchen stove and which splashed over the lower part of his body. The injuries while painful are not dangerous altho one burn on a foot has given some trouble.

### VISITING AT OMAHA

Mrs. Maude Fricke of this city is at Omaha where she is spending the week end with her daughter, Miss Jane, a student at the University School of Nursing, as well as with friends.

### BREAKS INTO FILLING STATION

The Rock Creek filling station located a mile east of Murray, was visited by burglars sometime Tuesday night or early Wednesday morning, the fact being discovered yesterday when the station was opened for business.

The persons secured entrance to the station by breaking a window and thence making their way into the building. There was nothing taken as far as can be ascertained.

## Garden Club Has Interesting Meet Thursday

Senator W. B. Banning of Union, Is Chief Speaker at Meeting at Central Building.

Last evening the Plattsmouth Garden club held a very interesting session at the auditorium of the Central school building, which was very largely attended and a most interesting and profitable meeting was enjoyed.

William B. Banning, former state senator and one of the best known horticultural leaders in the state was the chief speaker and gave many very interesting pieces of advice on the advancement of the work along the line of better gardens, orchards and the general beautification of the highways.

Mr. Banning also told the club members many of the ways to eradicate pests of different kinds that serve to make the life of the gardener or orchard owner one of anxiety. He also discussed the programs now planned of beautifying the state and federal highways by the planting of trees and shrubs to make them more attractive to the travelers.

Mrs. C. E. Hartford, chairman of the program, also discussed the new flowers that each year are developed and added to the beauties of nature in the world.

The club is sending out requests for Zinnia seeds this year that may be used in the junior club works and a request is made for donations of these varieties of seeds, which may be left at the Westcott store for placement in the hands of the club.

Miss Ruth Westover was presented in a very charming piano solo as part of the evening program.

The next meeting will be one at which there will be an interchange of seeds and plants among the members of the club and which should be a real attraction to all of the club membership.

### DIES AT MASONIC HOME

From Thursday's Daily  
The death of Mrs. Nancy P. Cross, 94, occurred last evening at the Nebraska Masonic Home where she had resided several years. Mrs. Cross was born on May 28, 1840, at Richmond, Missouri, but in the greater part of her lifetime she had been a resident of Nebraska, living in the vicinity of Table Rock. She was admitted to the Home April 2, 1926 from Table Rock lodge No. 108, A. F. & A. M. Mrs. Cross was one of the gentlest of characters and highly esteemed by the residents of the Home among whom she was probably the oldest resident in point of years of life and in her sojourn in the Home. She is survived by several grandchildren who reside at Fairbury.

The body was taken today to Table Rock to be interred there in the family plot in the cemetery.

### SHOWING IMPROVEMENT

The condition of Mary Redd, who has been suffering from a severe case of the measles which was complicated by an attack of pneumonia, is reported as being some better but still in serious shape. The condition of one lung has been cleared up nicely but one is still affected.

### DEATH FROM PNEUMONIA

Hospital authorities at Omaha where the late Dewey Hobson passed away several days ago, have announced that the death was due to a sudden attack of pneumonia and not from any contagious malady. This information will set at rest unnecessary and unfounded rumors as to the cause.

## Filing Date Finds Few Candidates for City Offices

Four Nominees for Board of Education—Only One Ward Contest Staged for Councilmen.

### The Candidates

#### BOARD OF EDUCATION

Frank A. Cloidt.  
J. C. Comstock.  
Mrs. Pearl Mann.  
John Lutz.

#### COUNCILMEN

1st ward, Frank M. Bestor.  
2nd ward, W. C. Tippens.  
3rd ward, Fred Lugsch, W. H. Puls.  
4th ward, C. D. Palmer.  
5th ward, E. O. Vroman.

The close of the date for filing petitions for city offices Friday night found but few candidates seeking the position of councilmen, these being with one exception the present members whose terms are expiring.

In the first ward the petition of Frank M. Bestor, present councilman and chairman of the finance committee of the council, has been on file for several days at the office of the city clerk.

W. C. Tippens was requested by a large group of the voters in the second ward to again make the race for this office as "Tip" has proven a very popular member of the council.

The third ward developed the only contest of the filings where Fred Lugsch, well known cleaner and tailor, whose petition was filed several days ago will be opposed by W. H. Puls, county assessor and former councilman, whose petition was filed Friday for the office.

In the fourth ward C. D. Palmer, present councilman, who is serving out the unexpired term of Mayor Lushinsky, was filed by his friends as a candidate for re-election to the office that he has so excellently filled in the past year.

The fifth ward voters filed a petition for E. O. Vroman, present councilman, for his re-election to the office and assuring him of an easy race for the position in which he has shown a fine record.

The filings while by petition leave the score of those filing as four democrats and two republicans, Bestor, Tippens, Lugsch and Puls being democrats and Palmer and Vroman republicans.

Councilman George L. Farley in the third had declined to be a candidate for re-election to the office of councilman.

The petitions filed for the members of the board of education showed a great deal of interest on the part of the voters and required a much larger number of signers than those for the councilman offices.

Petitions were filed for Frank A. Cloidt, retiring member of the board and the secretary of the body, J. C. Comstock, well known railroad man and who had been active in the affairs of the city for twelve years, Mrs. George B. Mann, former teacher in the high school for a great many years and one of the active leaders of the D. A. R. and W. C. T. U. organizations and John Lutz, long time resident of the city and for a number of years member of the city council from the fifth ward of the city.

### RECEIVES HIGH HONOR

Raymond Rodrigues, junior in the Creighton university dental college, has received a very fine recognition for his splendid work as a student that is most pleasing to the young man and to the many friends in this city. "Rod," as he is known here, has been elected to the national honorary society, Alpha Sigma Nu, as a representative of the college of which he is a student. Mr. Rodrigues, whose home is at Honolulu, has spent the summers here with the F. M. Bestor family and been active in local athletic circles.

### From Saturday's Daily

Raymond and Manford Hutchison of Louisville, were in the city for a few hours today to look after some business at the local stores and visit with their friends.

### MAKES BEAUTIFUL SHOWING

Henry Jasper, local florist has a very beautiful display of the products of his greenhouse on west Locust street on exhibit in the show window of the Kroehler hardware store. There are a large variety of flowers shown and which embraces a mass of warm coloring and charm that has attracted the attention of passersby. Mr. Jasper has raised these flowers with the exception of the roses, at the Greenhouse here and the exhibit is a testimony of the fine stock that is carried in the local establishment.

## William Wehrbein is Called to the Last Rest

Prominent Farmer and Stockraiser of East of Murray, Dies After Illness of Some Duration.

### From Friday's Daily

Death this morning at an Omaha hospital claimed the life of William Wehrbein, 50, prominent resident of the Murray community, after an illness of some duration and in which he had made a splendid battle to regain his health, but without success.

The passing of Mr. Wehrbein brings a great regret to all in this portion of Cass county where the deceased spent his life time and where he has been identified with the farming and stock raising industry, and was among the most successful farmers in the community.

He had been ill for the greater part of the time since late in the fall and in the last few weeks his condition grew gradually worse until the end.

Mr. Wehrbein is survived by the wife and two children, Victor Wehrbein and Mrs. Anderson Lloyd, all residing in the Murray community.

The funeral services which will be private, will be held on Sunday afternoon at the late home and will be under the direction of the Hobson funeral home of Weeping Water.

A more extended sketch of the life of Mr. Wehrbein will appear later in the Journal.

### DRAWS DOWN FINE

Wednesday afternoon Leonard Creek and Rufus Beers, two Nebraska City young men, were arraigned in the court of Judge Charles L. Graves and charged with disturbing the peace by causing trouble in a beer tavern early Wednesday morning.

After hearing the evidence offered in the case Judge Graves gave a fine of \$15 and costs each to the two young men which will total the sum of \$19.50 before they can again breathe the air of freedom. The police department has been informed that one of the parties is desired by Sheriff Carl Ryder at Nebraska City and it is expected that he will probably be returned there. In the event that the men are to serve their sentence here the court has ordered that they be employed at labor.

### DIES AT GLENWOOD

From Friday's Daily  
A message was received today by C. L. Wiles announcing the death of his uncle, Charles L. Wiles, of Glenwood, Iowa.

Mr. Wiles was a brother of the late Thomas Wiles of this city, and has spent his life on a farm, south of Glenwood. He is survived by one son, Marion, at whose home he has been living since the death of his wife several years ago.

The funeral services will be held at the Methodist church in Glenwood, Iowa, on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

### JUDGE CONTEST

Kathryn Roszell, Beatrice; Anna May Sandin, Plattsmouth; and Lella Frazer, Lewiston had the privilege of judging the Auburn declamatory contest, held for the selecting of representatives for the MINK contest which is to be held in Peru on March 22 and 23.

All three of the young ladies are members of the Dramatic Club of Peru State Teachers' College, and have had experience in dramatic work before coming to Peru.

## Mills County Residents Stirred by Assault Case

Authorities at Glenwood Prepare to Protect Man Held There as Sentiment Grows.

The residents of western Mills county have been deeply stirred by the Pacific Junction tragedy of Wednesday night that has resulted in the death of Edith Kuhl, 13, and the possible death of her elder sister, Helen, 17. The authorities at Glenwood have gas bombs and riot guns provided at the Mills county jail where Clarence Price, alleged slayer is held.

A complaint was filed Thursday by William T. Wellons, county attorney of Mills county of Mills county, against Price charging him with first degree murder in the fatal attack on Edith Kuhl.

When Price was informed at the jail that the charge of murder had been preferred against him, for the first time the prisoner seemed shaken and as he clung to the bars of the cell in which he was confined he inquired of officers and newspaper men, "Will they hang me or will I go to the electric chair?" The prisoner was weary and haggard from the long hours of grilling by Sheriff W. S. DeMoss, Omaha detectives and two of the Iowa state police department heads, but had doggedly held to his first story of the finding of the blood soaked bodies of the two girls who had been brutally beaten about the head.

Coroner Frank Raynor of Mills county has impaneled a jury to hear the evidence and sift what facts may be presented as to the crime and the party or parties that might be implicated in it. The members of the jury are all residents of Pacific Junction, Frank Boyle, hardware man; C. F. Hines, grocer, and Walter Fisher, former banker.

It is hoped that the remaining victim of the assault may regain strength to give the story of the crime and reveal the party that may have committed the outrage.

Through the two days of questioning Price, a former Plattsmouth resident, has maintained his innocence, but many circumstantial facts have been revealed by the officers that come close to the possibility of his having had some connection with the crime. The fact that a roaring fire was found in the heating stove of the home when neighbors arrived and the finding of buttons from undergarments in the ashes leads to the theory that the prisoner may have burned his clothes in the stove before reporting the crime, he having a complete clean outfit on when he reported the crime to neighbors. The fact that the glass on the floor of the bedroom had apparently been broken from the window and the screen showing signs of being forced from the interior of the room, causes the officers to believe that this was caused during the desperate battle of Helen Kuhl with her assailant.

### WAY DOWN SOUTH

Robert M. Walling, genial local sportsman and one of the leading abstractors of the state, is spending a short time in the southland where he is appreciating to the fullest extent the blooming flowers, balmy breezes, ocean scenes and the charming setting of the deep south. In letters to friends here Bob advises that the country is beautiful, Negroes black, the ladies charming and the general settings all that is necessary to a perfect vacation. Not the least, Bob advises that he is to enjoy a trip with a friends at Mobile, Alabama, out into the Gulf of Mexico for some deep sea fishing, so a tarpon or two may be expected any time now. Mrs. Walling, who has been visiting at Auburn, Alabama, with friends is accompanying her husband on the auto trip through the south.

### UNDERGOES OPERATION

Mrs. George Jaeger of this city underwent a tonsillectomy this morning at the St. Catherine's hospital at Omaha. The patient is reported as resting very easily and it is hoped in a short time she may be able to return to the home here.