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Burglaries Over the City Reported Last Night

Lamphere Cafe Loses \$15 in Cash and Large Amount of Cigarettes—High School Visited.

From Thursday's Daily
This city suffered from the visitation of burglars last night or early this morning and who successfully looted the Lamphere cafe on South 6th street as well as forcing the safe in the office of Superintendent L. S. Devoe in the high school building.

The loss at the Lamphere cafe was revealed this morning when the owners arrived to open up for the day's business, their being found a large quantity of cigarettes taken as well as gum and candy that had been taken from the display cases. The small change amounting to some \$15 that had been left in the cafe was also missing. Entrance to the cafe had apparently been gained through the recreation room of the Eagles, officers report. The scene of the robbery was checked by Chief of Police Libershal as well as Deputy Sheriff Walling.

The party or parties that invaded the high school building gained entrance by breaking the glass in a window leading to the art room and from where they were able to make their way to the second floor of the building. The glass in the door leading to the office of the superintendent's office was broken and a search made there for valuables without success. The burglars then had proceeded to take the door leading to the office of Superintendent Devoe off, which gave them entrance to the office where the safe is located. Apparently an attempt had been made to chisel through the side of the safe but without success. The door of the safe had been chiseled open and which permitted the entrance to the safe where a small amount of money had been left from various school activities to await deposit. The job at the high school pointed to an experienced burglar who had come prepared with tools to force their entrance to the safe. The exact amount of money taken cannot be estimated until a close check is made of the various funds that had been placed there. The robbery scene was visited by Chief Libershal and Deputy Sheriff Walling and tests for fingerprints on the safe made.

FUNERAL OF A. F. KNOFLECK

From Thursday's Daily
The funeral of the late A. F. Knofleck was held this morning at 8:30 at the Holy Rosary church on west Pearl street which was filled by a large congregation of the old friends and neighbors who came to pay their last tributes to the old friend gone to rest.

The requiem mass of the church was celebrated by the Rev. Father J. J. Kaczmarek, pastor of the church, giving the last blessings to the departed.

Mrs. Grace Leidy Berger, violinist, accompanied by Miss Henrietta Reese, of Omaha gave two numbers during the service, "Memories," by Czerny and "Creticol," by Barnes.

John J. Cloldt gave two vocal numbers in the service, "Face to Face" and "O Love Divine."

Interment was at the Catholic cemetery, the Sattler funeral home having charge of the funeral.

GOES TO HOSPITAL

From Thursday's Daily
A. E. Edgerton, re-employment director for Cass county, departed this afternoon for Omaha where he will undergo an operation of the cheek for a long standing trouble due to an attack of lockjaw. The many friends are hopeful that he may receive the desired benefit and be able to return home in much better condition.

VISIT IN THE CITY

Dr. and Mrs. John Stuart Egenberger, of Omaha, were in the city Thursday evening to enjoy dinner at the home of Dr. Egenberger's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Egenberger and to spend the evening in a pleasant family visit. They returned later in the evening to their home in Omaha.

JUDGMENT FOR \$1,500

From Thursday's Daily
The jury in the case of Mable E. Baldwin vs. Ed G. Steckley, in the district court, this morning returned a verdict in favor of the plaintiff in the sum of \$1,500. This was a suit for damages arising out of an accident at Weeping Water when a minor child riding to school was struck by the truck of Mr. Steckley and as the result was thrown from the bicycle and suffered a skull fracture as well as a double fracture of a leg.

Plattsmouth Men Entertain at College

Local People Present Convocation Program at State Teachers College at Peru, Wednesday.

Wednesday morning the convocation program at the Peru State Teachers' college was presented by a group of Plattsmouth entertainers and who were most enthusiastically received by the students and the faculty of the state school.

The general expression was that the program was one of the most delightful that has been presented and in the musical numbers and baffling mystery acts the student body felt highly entertained and parted regretfully with the colorful program that they had been treated to.

The male quartet composed of Frank A. Cloldt, H. G. McClusky, Raymond C. Cook and L. O. Minor were featured in three numbers that received an enthusiastic encore from the delighted audience. The quartet gave a group of three selections, "The Bells of St. Mary's," "I Love a Lassie," and "Close Harmony," in their always delightful manner and with E. H. Wescott as the accompanist.

Frank A. Cloldt was heard in the beautiful "Old Refrain" of Kreisler, one of the most delightful of the later year songs, proving one of the outstanding features of the fine program, as given in the fine rendition of the singer.

L. S. Devoe, superintendent of the Plattsmouth schools, added to the interest of the program with his magic act that was received with enthusiasm by the students, the superintendent baffling them with his mysterious feats and which were followed with the greatest interest by the large group.

While at Peru members of the local party had the pleasure of meeting Dean Delzell, one of the best known school men of the state and who has many friends in this city, where his daughter, Miss Esther, was teacher in the local high school for some years.

FORMER RESIDENT DIES

From Thursday's Daily
The message was received here this morning of the death Wednesday night at Denver, of Herman Richter, a resident of Plattsmouth for a great many years and who will be well remembered by the older residents of the community.

Mr. Richter while here was engaged in work with the other factories in the city, later going to Dakota and Denver. His last visit to this city was four years ago when he came here to lay away his wife who died at their home in the west.

The body of Mr. Richter will be brought to this city for interment but the date of arrival has not been determined. The funeral here will be under the auspices of the Sattler funeral home.

CALLED TO INDIANA

Chester E. Welshimer, owner of the Texaco filling station at Chicago avenue and the Louisville road, departed Wednesday night for Fort Wayne, Indiana. Mr. Welshimer was called to the old home by the condition of his father, F. M. Welshimer, who has sustained a severe fall that resulted in the fracture of his hip, and with his advanced age of 82 years, making his condition very serious. The son was called to his side by the relatives owing to the condition of the father. The elder Mr. Welshimer is at the Lutheran hospital at Fort Wayne.

Chamber of Commerce Holds December Meet

Largely Attended and Interesting Program Presented; Newcomers to City Welcomed.

From Friday's Daily
The regular bi-monthly meeting of the Plattsmouth chamber of commerce directorate was held yesterday noon, and was very well attended.

When those present sat down to their lunch they found "Sudden Death" confronting them in the form of a pamphlet containing the article by J. C. Furnas which has caused so much comment since its appearance in the Reader's Digest.

As President F. I. Rea explained, the pamphlets were distributed to those present in the hope that the information would be given wide circulation and help in the general reduction of auto fatalities.

Introducing him as the Will Rogers of Plattsmouth, President Rea called on W. A. Robertson, who talked to the directorate members on "The Future of Plattsmouth." Interspersing his remarks with some well directed shafts of wit, Mr. Robertson gave an interesting talk on his conception of the virtues of the town, reviewed things which had been accomplished and suggesting other ideas. He closed, by remarking that there was "no doubt in my mind but that Plattsmouth DOES have a future."

Dr. F. L. Cummins, recently appointed postmaster, was also called on and gave the members a number of interesting facts pertinent to the postoffice and its activities.

Others who were introduced were C. P. Moffatt, proprietor of the former Stewart cafe, G. D. Swinson, auto dealer, and Dr. Frank Molak, dentist.

Having first warned them that he would not accept the conventional reports usually given by committee heads, President Rea called for committee reports, and received some very interesting reports from the respective committee chairmen.

A communication was read from the Nebraska City chamber of commerce, inviting Plattsmouth chamber members to attend the joint meeting of the Nebraska City chamber of commerce and Rotary clubs on December 12, at which Cullen Wright is to be the speaker.

A contribution of \$30 was voted to assist with the annual Santa Claus program given to Plattsmouth kiddies, this year to be held on December 14th.

The meeting held yesterday was the last of the present year for the body, as the second meeting of the month will be dispensed with, due to the fact that the Christmas shopping season will prevent a large attendance.

Annual election of officers will be held on Thursday, January 2, when the organization will begin its activities for the year 1936.

DEATH OF HERMAN GARTLEMAN

From Friday's Daily
This morning at the family home in the south part of the city occurred the death of Herman John Gartleman, 63, after an illness that has covered the past seven years and in which he has been gradually growing worse until death came to his relief.

Mr. Gartleman has made his home in this city for the past twenty-eight years, twenty of the years being spent in the employ of the Burlington in the local shops until ill health forced his retirement.

He was married in this city to Miss Nettie Kinnamon, who survives his passing.

SING AT BANQUET

From Thursday's Daily
Last evening the Masonic quartet of this city was in Omaha where they were featured at the banquet held by the grand chapter of the Royal Arch Masons of Nebraska. The banquet was held at 6 o'clock at the dining room of the Masonic temple.

The quartet composed of F. A. Cloldt, H. G. McClusky, Raymond C. Cook and L. O. Minor, gave the numbers, "Remember Now Thy Creator," "Lassie O' Mine," "The Bells of St. Mary's" and "The Old Songs."

School Men of County Meet at Murdock Wed.

Superintendent P. T. Johnson Host to Men Teachers in Schools of the County.

Wednesday evening the schoolmen of Cass county were guests at Murdock where they were most royally entertained as the guests of Superintendent P. T. Johnson and the Murdock faculty.

There was a large representation from all sections of the county and from this city there were present Superintendent L. S. Devoe, Principal J. R. Reeder, Fred A. Rothert, L. L. Starrett, Wayne Alvord, Lee Knolle and Hoyt Griffin.

The musical department of the Murdock schools gave two fine features in two selections by the girls' trio, composed of Boline Brunkow, Irene Panska and Louise Bornemeier, as well as the boys' quartet in two finely rendered selections, the members of this group being Morse and Orris Rickett, Elmer Thimman and Rolland Rikhl. The teacher, Miss Van Burg, played the accompaniment for the young people.

The members of the club were entertained by a fine talk by Dr. O. H. Werner, of the University of Nebraska, who discussed with the members of the group the problems that the schools are facing today, being an address that all felt very appreciative of hearing.

A dainty luncheon served to complete the most pleasant and profitable evening for the members of the teachers club.

VISITS BEATRICE AERIE

Arthur Kief, worthy president of the state aerie of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, returned Thursday evening from a visit at the Beatrice aerie where he was Wednesday evening. This is the first official visit of the president to any of the aeries of the state and he was well pleased to find a large class ready to be presented in initiation into the order. Mr. Kief enjoyed his visit very much and greeted the aerie there on behalf of the state organization and extended the congratulations that their fine efforts deserve.

Mr. Kief has been very busy in his private business for the past months since the state convention but will find more time now to make his official calls on the various aeries over the state and meet the many fine active groups of this great fraternity.

CHRISTMAS VACATION

The regular Christmas vacation of the Plattsmouth city schools will commence at the close of school on Friday, December 20th and continue until Thursday, January 2nd, at 9 a. m., when school will reconvene. The Christmas convocation will be held at 3 p. m., December 20th and will be in keeping with the spirit of the season.

This arrangement of the Christmas vacation will make it possible for the school to enjoy a two day spring vacation.

HAVE PLEASANT MEETING

The social meeting of the second troop of the Junior Catholic Daughters was held Tuesday evening in the form of a Major Bowes amateur hour. Each member was required to do a stunt. Constance Rea played the part of Major Bowes. Towards the close of the evening dainty refreshments were served by the committee.

Cass County Taxpayers Not 'Forgotten' Folk

To Receive Every Advantage of H. R. 4, Providing for Non-Interest Payment on Delinquencies.

From Saturday's Daily
In a Nebraska City dispatch published in yesterday's Journal, County Treasurer Kelly of Otoe county seemingly appeared to be first of the advance vanguard of Nebraska county treasurers who would make effective to taxpayers the provisions of H. R. 4, a bill passed by the special legislative session which permits payment of delinquent real estate or personal taxes, without interest, either in whole or installments.

As a matter of fact, John Turner, Cass county treasurer, was one of the first, if not the first, to take steps to comply with the provisions of this law aimed to relieve distressed taxpayers, and had ordered the necessary record books and supplies before being called by phone by the Otoe county treasurer seeking information as to whether payments would be accepted in this county.

In his usual thorough-going manner and without seeking publicity, Mr. Turner set about immediately after the law was passed and signed to get full details of its provisions, and as soon as he received the official copy of same and had time to study it, placed his order for the necessary supplies to put it into effect.

Mr. Turner's attitude, like that expressed by Treasurer Kelly is that the legislature, which is vested with power to fix the interest rate on taxes, may have the right to take off the interest penalty entirely, and that ruling on the constitutionality of the law is wholly up to the courts. In numerous counties, county treasurers have refused to accept pay-withstanding clause.

The law does not make its provisions available to real property taxes for which tax sale certificates shall have heretofore been issued to regular buyers. Certificates taken by taxing subdivisions (such as those held by the county and city) shall be surrendered and canceled to permit payment of delinquent tax, without interest. The old law specifically exempted from its provisions all property on which certificates had been issued, regardless of whether taken by regular buyers or by taxing subdivisions without payment of any part of the tax due, and it was through efforts of Plattsmouth city officials that the more liberal provision was incorporated in the present statute.

In all events, application (in writing) must be made of the county treasurer by a delinquent taxpayer, real or personal, who desires to take advantage of non-interest payment.

As a result of Mr. Turner's prompt action, Cass county taxpayers may be among the first in the state to have the provisions of this new law made available to them. In fact, at the present time, Mr. Turner is ready to accept payments in full, without interest, but must await the arrival of record books before he can set up payment without interest and one or more test cases are already in court.

What the Law Provides

Acceleration of the payment of delinquent taxes on real and personal property, which have been delinquent for more than one year prior to September 1, 1935, by permitting payment of all such taxes, either by personal property in full, or, in case of personal property in five equal annual installments, or in the case of real estate property, in ten equal annual installments, without interest, penalties or other charges added thereto, as well as providing penalties for default.

This law was substituted for one passed at the regular session of the legislature but held invalid by the supreme court for the reason it was an amendatory act and, being such, it was necessary that the sections amended or repealed be incorporated in the act. It began with the sweeping declaration that "Notwithstanding any more general or special law respecting revenue..." The high court's objection is sought to be remedied in the new law by naming each section amended and repealed, although it still preserves the "Not-

the machinery for accepting installment payments. Those wishing to make installment payments should see or write the county treasurer a few days in advance, giving time to do the necessary record compilation, as the law provides for no extra help to do this work.

Should all those eligible take advantage of its provisions, the law will save Cass county taxpayers in the neighborhood of \$20,000 penalty interest, and at the same time bring into the county treasury a large volume of delinquent taxes that probably would never be paid otherwise.

Santa Claus to be Here without Fail Saturday

Will Bring Gift for Every Boy and Girl—Complete Details in the Journal on Thursday.

Good old Santa Claus, patron of the children in the holiday season, is to be in this city on next Saturday afternoon, December 14th, messages received here state. Santa has sent the message from his northern home up where the snow is now heavy and which will serve to allow his driving out for the holiday season.

Santa has a very deep appreciation of the large number of children that were out to greet him in his previous visits here and he is trusting that all of these and more too will be able to be out for the festivities next Saturday.

The visit to Plattsmouth will be made in the afternoon so that all of the youngsters may have a fine opportunity of getting down to see Santa and give him a personal greeting. Santa is being assisted by the good fellows of the city who have arranged remembrances of a gift and candy for every boy and girl in Plattsmouth and Cass county present for the reception.

Just where the reception will be held has not been fully determined but it will be announced later and children from all sections of the county are invited to come and join the Plattsmouth group in the reception.

ENTERTAIN AT HOME

From Friday's Daily
Last evening a delightful musical program was presented at the Nebraska Masonic Home, sponsored by Home chapter 189 of the Eastern Star. The entertainment was supplied by the musical talent of the city and was a real treat to the members of the Home family.

Mrs. R. W. Knorr and Mrs. L. S. Devoe gave two of their splendid piano duets at the opening of the program that was much appreciated.

The Rotary quartet, composed of Frank A. Cloldt, H. G. McClusky, R. W. Knorr and George Jaeger, gave two fine selections with the accompaniment by Mrs. R. W. Knorr.

Frank A. Cloldt was heard in two of his charming tenor solos during the program and which assisted in the enhancing of the evening musical treats.

Miss Berniece Wieland, one of the efficient members of the city teaching force gave a much appreciated reading as her contribution to the program of the evening.

Lee Knolle was heard in two of his fine bass solos that won the appreciation of all of the large group enjoying the treat.

Mrs. J. R. Reeder, one of the best known vocalists of the county, was presented in a vocal solo to add to the delights of the evening.

The program was closed with the charming presentation of little Miss Marjorie Devoe, who gave a good-night song as the parting greeting to the residents of the Home.

SERIOUSLY ILL

Mrs. J. F. Clugy of this city has received word that her nephew, Harold Tillman, is very seriously ill at Denver, suffering from a sudden attack of appendicitis that has caused a great deal of apprehension to the members of the family and friends. Mr. Tillman is a brother of Mrs. Hazel Jamison of this city.

Chas. Richards Dies From Effects of Injuries

Severely Hurt in Auto Smashup Friday Night, Local Young Man Dies Sunday Afternoon.

From Saturday's Daily
Charles Richards, Jr., 20, died Sunday afternoon at 2:45 at the University hospital at Omaha where he had been under treatment since his auto accident of Friday night that had resulted in very severe injuries.

The car that Mr. Richards was driving home from Omaha Friday crashed into the left side of the northbound Missouri Pacific bus on the Oreapolis overpass and with the result that the car was almost demolished and the driver very badly hurt. Mr. Richards suffered a cut on the forehead and also had a number of ribs broken as well as having his left side crushed badly and which resulted in the fatal internal injuries. Saturday afternoon a blood transfusion was given the young man at the hospital but he continued to grow worse until the end.

Charles, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Richards, was born at Plattsmouth, August 21, 1905, where he has spent his lifetime and where his going brings a deep sorrow to many friends. He received his education in the local schools and was married here to Miss Marie Stokes, who with the two children, Albert and Donna Lou, survive his passing. There are also surviving the father, and one sister, Mrs. E. O. Howe, residing at Council Bluffs. For the past several years Mr. Richards has been engaged in working for the Ford company at Omaha and on the night of the accident was returning to his home here from his work.

The body was brought here Sunday evening to the Sattler funeral home and where the funeral services will be held on Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 with the interment in the Oak Hill cemetery.

FINDS FOR DEFENDANT

The jury in the trial of the case of the Securities Investment Co., vs. M. A. Krejci, which was on trial Friday, returned their verdict late in the afternoon in which they found for the defendant, Krejci. The ownership of a truck was involved in the litigation.

The verdict was in favor of defendant who found that the right of property and right of possession of property at commencement of action was in the defendant, and that defendant is entitled to possession of said property or the value thereof in the sum of \$375.

VETERAN MERCHANT RETIRES

From Saturday's Daily
Reuben D. Stine, who has been an active figure in the business life of our neighboring town of Union, today retired from the business that he has so long been identified with. Twenty years ago Mr. Stine opened a general store in his building on Main street in Union and since that time has been one of the active business leaders. He has disposed of the building and stock at Union to Moss McCarroll, well known Union resident, who will operate the store in the future.

VISITS AT HAMBURG

City Attorney J. H. Davis was at Hamburg, Iowa, Wednesday where he was investigating the claim that the city has against E. J. Propp, trucker of that city. Mr. Propp it is claimed was driving a truck that broke off one of the electroliner along highway 75 in this city about a year ago and since that time the claim has been in dispute. Mr. Davis secured the promise of an early settlement of the matter and the city to be reimbursed for the cost of the new electroliner.

AN APPRECIATION

We wish to most sincerely thank all those who in our bereavement have been so sympathetic and thoughtful to us. Their acts of kindness and words of tender sympathy will long be a pleasant memory to us all.—Mrs. A. F. Knofleck and Family.