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W. G. Kieck Files for Judge District Court

Well Known and Popular Member of Bar of Second District Makes Filing at Lincoln.

William G. Kieck, county attorney of Cass county for the past eleven years, Monday afternoon at Lincoln made his formal filing for the nomination for the office of judge of the second judicial district, comprising Cass, Otoe and Sarpy counties.

Mr. Kieck has been urged by friends over the district to enter the race and has decided to enter the list which as present comprises Judge Livingston as the only candidate.

Mr. Kieck was born in Omaha in 1892, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Kieck, moving when he was two years old, in 1894, to Sarpy county and locating at Springfield, where the father is still engaged in the retail business. In Springfield Mr. Kieck was reared and in 1910 was graduated from the high school of that place. He graduated in 1914 from the arts and sciences college of the University of Nebraska, spending the next two years in teaching in the western portion of the state. When our nation entered the World war Mr. Kieck was commissioned in the aviation section of the army, serving twenty-one months, thirteen of which were spent in service with the AEF in France. On his return home Mr. Kieck was selected as a member of the Constitutional convention in 1919 to represent Sarpy county and assisted in preparing the new constitution. He graduated in 1921 from the Creighton university college of law and shortly afterwards came to Plattsmouth and was elected county attorney in 1924 and has served in that office since that time. He has administered his office with justice for all and also to save the taxpayers all unnecessary expense in needless litigation wherever possible.

SOCIAL WORKERS FLOWER CLUB

The Social Workers Flower club from south of the city held their annual Xmas party at the beautiful home of Mrs. Chas. Manners. The Manners' home was a scene of beautiful and artistically decorated rooms, the usual Xmas colors and spirit having been carried out which made it look very attractive and an ideal setting for this happy occasion. After their regular business meeting, the program committee with Mrs. Albert Wheeler as chairman presented the members of the party with a splendid Xmas program in which Mrs. George Mumm favored them with a piano selection entitled "Xmas Melodies," and Mrs. Mike Kaffenberger, in her pleasing soprano voice gave a very beautiful Xmas number, "Heralds of Glory." Also a short play was presented, "The Xmas Shopper," by Mrs. Jack Stamp, Mrs. Albert Wheeler, Mrs. Mike Kaffenberger and Helen Johnson. This certainly made a hit with everyone present.

After the program all were presented with a little gift left on the table by Santa.

Later they enjoyed a delicious two-course luncheon furnished by the members of the club and presided over by Mrs. George Mumm, chairman of the refreshment committee.

Their next meeting will be Jan. 8, 1936, at the home of Mrs. Julius Pitz with Mrs. Minnie Nolting and Mrs. A. J. Snyder as assisting hostesses.

ENJOY PLEASANT EVENING

Mrs. Henry Starkjohn was hostess Tuesday evening at her pleasant home on Rock street to the members of the Two-Square card club. The home was arranged with the Christmas decorations and in this pleasant setting the members of the club enjoyed the passing hours in bridge. In the playing Mrs. F. I. Rea was the winner of the high score while Mrs. Cyril Kalina was awarded the consolation prize.

This was also the Christmas party of the club and at an appropriate hour jolly Santa made his appearance and each member received a remembrance of the holiday season.

The evening closed with the serving of dainty and delicious refreshments by the hostess.

DOES FRIENDLY SERVICE

For the past twelve weeks Tom Turner, residing south of Union, has been ill and confined to his home and unable to look after the farm work. This morning Mr. Turner was given a demonstration of the fine neighborly spirit of the residents of that section, they gathering at the Turner farm to complete his corn shucking. There were thirty-three teams donated for the work and a force of 116 men were on the job to make a complete job of the shucking. This certainly is a splendid act on the part of the good people of that locality.

Death of a Former Resident of Plattsmouth

Mrs. John Kopia of Des Moines, Iowa, Passes Away After Illness of Several Years Duration.

Mrs. John Kopia, 74, a resident of Plattsmouth for a great many years, died on Monday afternoon at 4:20 at her home in Des Moines, Iowa, where she has been ill for the past several years. Mrs. Kopia's health had been failing for a number of years and she had found it necessary to undergo a number of surgical operations.

Mr. and Mrs. Kopia for many years operated a store at 15th and Main streets in the west part of the city which was very successful, they later disposing of the store some ten years ago when they removed to Des Moines where their only child, Mrs. Frank Lorenz was living.

Since going to Des Moines they have made several visits here while their health permitted to meet the old friends and who will regret very much to learn of her death.

There is surviving the aged husband and the daughter, Mrs. Lorenz, as well as one brother, Michael Hobscheidt of this city.

The funeral will be held Friday morning at Des Moines and with the interment in that city.

ENJOY CHRISTMAS PARTY

The members to the Catholic Daughters of America held a very pleasant Christmas party on Sunday afternoon at the home of Mrs. John Bergmann, with Mrs. E. A. Webb, Mrs. E. A. Lorenz, Mrs. Richard Osterstein and Miss Eleanor O'Brien as associate hostesses.

The home was handsomely arranged with the Christmas season decorations that added their lovely warmth and color to the scene of pleasure.

During the afternoon the time was spent in cards, the winner of high score in bridge being Mrs. W. V. Ryan, while in pinochle the winner of first honors was Mrs. Ruth Koukal. To complete the happy event Santa Claus made his usual visit and brought to each member a remembrance of the forthcoming yuletide season and which climaxed the pleasurable occasion.

The afternoon was closed by the serving of dainty refreshments in keeping with the holiday season.

FIREMEN ORGANIZE

From Tuesday's Daily: In response to a call of the Elmwood fire department, there gathered last evening in that city, representatives from the volunteer departments of the county to organize the Cass County Volunteer Firemen's association.

The officers selected were as follows: Guy L. Clements, Elmwood, president; Bert Morris, Union, vice-president; Bryan McDonald, Murdock, secretary.

SCHOOL IS DISMISSED

From Tuesday's Daily: This morning the Columbian school was dismissed until further notice as the result of a damaged boiler of the heating plant. Superintendent L. S. Devoe visited the school and as the heating plant was not operating ordered that the children be sent home to await the repair of the boiler. Notice of the resumption of school will be made through the Journal.

Woman's Club Holds Christmas Party Monday

Beautiful Home of Mrs. E. J. Richey Scene of Delightful Gathering of Membership.

The members of the Plattsmouth Woman's club were delightfully entertained on Monday evening at the spacious home of Mrs. E. J. Richey. The handsomely arranged home had its beauty enhanced by the bright colored Christmas decorations that added a lovely touch to the scene.

The program, in keeping with the Christmas season had been very cleverly planned by a social committee, consisting of Mrs. John Wolf, Mrs. Wm. Heinrich, Mrs. H. L. Gayer, Mrs. Carl Ote and Mrs. L. S. Devoe.

Following devotions, led by Rev. V. C. Wright, a short business session was held, this being followed by group singing of Christmas carols. Solo, "The Holy City," Mrs. E. H. Wescott.

Radio program (Supposedly from a down town broadcasting station). Announcer Mrs. L. S. Devoe. Harmonica solo, Ivan Smith. Song (Silent Night) and recitation, Betty Gayer.

Guitar solo, Theodore Smalley. Song, "Popeye," Junior Devoe. Rattle Bones, Lemuel Sheard. Song and Impersonations of Greta Garbo and Mae West, Norma Carsors. Song, Marjorie Devoe.

Letters to Santa, by Santa Claus?? Mr. Gayer and Mr. Richey were also heard on current topics.

This part of the program had been made possible through the courtesy of the Swinson Motor company, through the use of their equipment.

Each lady present, directed by Mr. Devoe, was given an opportunity of hearing her voice over the radio, which proved a lot of fun.

The club had as guests of the evening Mrs. Braunbach, formerly of Blair, Neb., Mrs. Kiser of Centralia, Ill., Miss Mildred Dvoracek and Margaret Anne Valley.

Refreshments were served at the close of the program.

Those who assisted Mrs. Richey as hostesses were Mrs. Edgar Newton, Miss Pearl Staats, Mrs. E. L. McKissick, Mrs. G. G. Griffin, Mrs. Homer Sylvester and Mrs. Phillip Hoffman.

'LOST' WOMAN IS FOUND

Mrs. Addie Carrie, about 75, of Avoca, became "lost" in Lincoln late Monday afternoon and spent several hours wandering about the streets until she was found by a nephew. Somewhere in her wanderings, she mistook her spectacles, however, and Monday night was lamenting the loss.

Found wandering aimlessly on the street by a woman whose name was not learned, she was taken to police headquarters and placed in charge of Matron Doyle. All efforts to aid her to remember her identity or what she was doing in Lincoln proved fruitless and she was turned over to the Y. W. C. A. Shortly afterward she was reunited with her nephew, Robert Mickel, who traced her thru police. She had wandered away while her niece was at a hair-dressers.

VISIT AT OMAHA

From Tuesday's Daily: Mr. and Mrs. Lee J. Mayfield of Louisville were here today for a short time visiting friends and looking after some matters of business. They were en route to Omaha to visit with E. I. Mayfield, veteran newspaper man and brother of Lee, as well as Mrs. F. A. Secord, a sister. Mr. E. O. Mayfield has been suffering from flu for some time and which is feared may develop into pneumonia, while Mrs. Secord also has been in poor health.

SHOWING IMPROVEMENT

The many friends of John Gauer, long time resident of the vicinity of Louisville and Cedar Creek, will be pleased to learn that he is now improving from his recent illness. Mr. Gauer has been suffering from an attack of pneumonia and which was quite severe for several days but he is now rallying nicely and it is hoped in a short time he may be able to resume his usual activities.

HERE FROM TEXAS

Norman Dickson, of Dallas, Texas, arrived here Tuesday evening for a short visit at the home of his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Richey as well as with the many old time school friends and associates in the city. Mr. Dickson has been spending a week at Lincoln with Mrs. Fannie Dickson and Miss May Richey, his aunts. Mr. Dickson has made his home in Texas for the past several years and reports the condition there as excellent and constantly showing a great advance in all lines of business and industry.

President Plans on Half Billion Works Program

President Roosevelt Gives a Hint Upon Next Year's Emergency Expenditures.

The administration's emergency budget for the next fiscal year took shape with the disclosure by President Roosevelt at Washington that he would propose a public works program costing around 500 millions. The executive's statement contained the first intimation of what the new deal proposes for the unemployed after next July. The chief executive nevertheless withheld any hint of the total to be asked for relief of all kinds.

In revealing his rough figure for public works at his regular press conference, the president did not even disclose whether it would include a housing program. This year's PWA fund includes 100 millions for housing.

A sharp departure from the precedent established by the new deal in former public works appropriations was promised by the chief executive. He said the administration would propose a bill carrying appropriations for specific projects instead of a lump sum. Both previous new deal public works appropriations were lump sum authorizations subsequently allocated by the president under broad power granted by congress.

Observers quickly noted that the half billion sum suggested by the president was in line with the recommendation of his national resources board for an annual public works program of that magnitude. In this same tenor also was a statement by the president that the money would be used chiefly for continuing large projects already under way. He mentioned the Florida ship canal and the Passamaquoddy Tide project in Maine specifically, in reply to questions.

Administration officials have estimated that 900 millions will be left from the current 4 billions fund at the end of this fiscal year. President Roosevelt did not indicate whether the new fund would be in addition to this sum or whether it would merely be a reappropriation.

DISTURBERS OF PEACE FINED

From Wednesday's Daily: This morning in the court of Judge Charles L. Graves at the city hall, Leonard A. Woodard and Al Spay were present to answer to the charge of intoxication and disturbing the peace. The two men were charged with having created a disturbance last night near the intersection of Sixth and Main streets and also with having imbibed too freely of intoxicating beverages. The men it seemed had gotten into an altercation with a third party and which led to their being gathered in by the members of the night police force and Deputy Sheriff Walling.

Judge Graves after hearing the facts in the case assessed a fine of \$15 and costs against both of the parties. Unable to pay the fine and costs they were ordered to assist in labor on the streets of the city.

HAVE A NEW SON

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hill, of this city are rejoicing over a fine little son that was born to them Monday at an Omaha hospital. This makes two daughters and two sons in the family circle. Mrs. Hill and the little one are doing nicely and the occasion has brought a great deal of happiness to all of the members of the family circle. Mrs. Hill was formerly Miss Sylvia Noble.

Banking Dispute Aired in Murdock Case Tuesday

Try to Decide Proper Authority for Liquidating Banks of State—Two Departments.

Dispute which for several weeks has prevailed in the state department of banking over the proper authority for the liquidating of banks in the state, was featured in a hearing Tuesday at Nebraska City.

The matter was brought up in a hearing concerning the defunct Murdock bank held before Judge D. W. Livingston.

The Nebraska City News-Press has the following concerning the much disputed case:

"It is an expense to the failed banks to keep the banking department running," said Tom Allen, brother-in-law of former Governor Charles Bryan. "Now we have two banking departments and they don't seem to agree."

"Mr. Allen was speaking about the expense of the receivership of the Murdock bank. He seeks to have the assets sold, the receivership wound up and the depositors paid off."

"Clarence G. Miles, attorney for the banking department, accused Mr. Allen of drawing a red herring across the path in his reference to the banking department. He is too astute a lawyer to believe that will have any weight," said Mr. Miles.

"The depositors' committee is fighting the application of the receiver to sell a certain note for \$1,500 which the depositors believe is worth \$1,900. Rather, the depositors would sell all the assets and close out the receivership. They claim to be ready with an offer of some \$10,000 for the assets."

"Miles said it was the first time anyone had tried to interfere with the discretion of the receiver in the matter of selling assets. He branded the sale of all the assets, as desired by the committee, a 'joke' and said they are not ready for liquidation, although they might be in a year or 15 months, after another crop has been harvested."

"Miles accused Henry A. Tool of trying to get out from under some \$9,000 in stockholders' liability by selling all the assets of the bank for \$10,219."

"Judge D. W. Livingston, explaining his idea is to do the best thing for depositors, took the case under advisement."

JOHNSON ACQUITTED

The jury case of Harold Johnson, charged with stealing cattle belonging to Mrs. Cora Munsinger of near Tabor, which it was alleged he had sold in Nebraska City, was taken up at Glenwood last week.

The following persons were drawn on this jury: Albert Schoening, Jr., Frank Churchill, Lucy Wilcox, Earl McGee, W. E. Herman, M. W. Taylor, Grace Hathaway, Florence Short, Mrs. Vernon Johnson, May Wright, Jessie Kerney, and Roy Wasserman.

Johnson's attorneys built the defense around his contention that he had purchased the cattle from an unknown trucker, and produced a witness to that effect. The case went to the jury Friday and the jury came in at 3 o'clock Saturday morning with a verdict finding Johnson "not guilty."

Several of the cattle alleged to have been stolen were found in this locality.

HERE FORTY YEARS

From Tuesday's Daily: Today marks the fortieth anniversary of the Robertson family as residents of Plattsmouth, Mr. James M. Robertson, who had been elected county clerk in November, 1894, moved his family here from Louisville in December to start a residence that has covered this long period of years. When first here they were located in a residence at 9th and Rock streets and later Mr. Robertson purchased the residence on Vine street, just west of the St. Luke's church where they have since resided. The family have made a large contribution to the community life in all lines of activity and it was a very fortunate occasion that brought this excellent family here.

HOLDS CHURCH SERVICE

Dr. M. E. Gilbert, district superintendent of the Methodist church held services here at the morning hour at the church. The sermon was very inspirational and enjoyed by a large congregation who always are pleased with a call from the superintendent.

At the evening service hour Mrs. Stevens, national field worker for the Woman's Home Missionary society was the speaker. Mrs. Stevens discussed the work of the society and which message she has given at many of the churches over the country.

To Hold Last Gift Night of the Current Season

Added Pre-Christmas Program is Decided Upon by Merchants—The Last Till Early Spring.

The members of the Plattsmouth Business Men's Ad club are announcing that on Saturday night at the customary hour as on Wednesday there will be offered a treat to the residents of the community. This is in keeping with the spirit of the Christmas season and all residents of the nearby communities as well as this city are invited in to attend this last Merchant's Night of the season.

This will be the last Merchant's Night of the winter season, so plan to be here Saturday.

GOLDEN ROD STUDY CLUB

The Golden Rod Study club met at the home of Mrs. Myron Wiles on December 12, with Mrs. Glenn Wiles as associate hostess.

Mrs. Henry Hill had charge of the lesson on "Home Management." Her enthusiasm and means of having each one take part in the program made the lesson very interesting.

The music period was arranged by Mrs. Roy O. Cole, in which the club joined in singing the always familiar Christmas songs.

As a climax to the pleasant afternoon, Mary Margaret Cole dressed in snow suit and a Santa Claus helper, came into the room drawing a sleigh and delivered a gift to each one. The hostesses had also arranged games that all enjoyed to the utmost. A surprise package which had been assembled by all the club was sent to Mrs. Charles Jean, who has been a member for many years. Delicious refreshments appropriate to the season was served by the hostess.

DRAW DOWN FINES

From Tuesday's Daily: This morning shortly after 2 o'clock Officers Pickrel and Stewart arrested a quartet of Nebraska City young people who were found at one of the local taverns and the men considerably under the influence of liquor.

The two ladies of the party were sent on to their homes while the men were taken to the city jail to recuperate. This morning they were arraigned before Judge Charles L. Graves charged with intoxication and disturbing the peace. The men gave the names of August Rausch and James Ohnmacht, and each was given a fine of \$10 and costs or \$13.50. The fine of Rausch was paid and he departed for his home to secure the funds for his companion's release.

FLORIDA NEWS

Dwight Propst, who is one of Dick Lemon's new students, had his first instruction on his first flight. This is rather unusual inasmuch as most students are flown around a bit before they are allowed to take the controls. Lemon found Propst so much at home in the air that he started him flying immediately.

J. Addison Kiser of Plattsmouth, Nebr., arrived recently to spend the winter season at the home of his cousin, Robert L. Propst on North Federal Hy-Lake Worth.—Palm Beach Post.

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Omaha Battles Mounting Scarlet Fever Epidemic

Schools May Remain Open Until Start of the Christmas Vacation—Check Children Activity.

Omaha public and parochial schools probably will not be closed on account of prevalence of scarlet fever until Friday, when the regular Christmas vacation period starts, as the following from the World-Herald states:

"Mayor Towl, to whom Health Commissioner Kinyoun and Health Director Langfeld appealed Tuesday when they became deadlocked, said Tuesday night he favored keeping the schools open. Dr. Kinyoun, backed by the Omaha-Douglas County Medical association, favored a closing edict, while Dr. Langfeld strongly urged the schools be allowed to remain open until the regular holidays start.

"Dr. Kinyoun, as health commissioner, is empowered to order the schools closed, but said he hesitated to do so without first consulting the mayor. The mayor, engaged in several other meetings, was unable to keep his appointment with the health officers Tuesday afternoon to settle the issue.

"Dr. Kinyoun, called to Prescott, Ia., for a possible operation Tuesday evening, had left word that he would not order a school closing until after a conference with Mayor Towl, which he hoped to have this morning.

"Eight of nine members of the executive committee of the Omaha and Douglas County Medical society recommend not only closing the schools, but also barring attendance of children at theaters, city officials were advised Tuesday morning in a letter from Dr. Herman M. Jahn, secretary of the society.

"Council to Back Kinyoun. "The doctors also believe it would be wise to prevent children from entering downtown department stores.

"Dr. Kinyoun placed the question of closing the schools before the city council Tuesday morning and was told that the health commissioner will be backed by the council in any action he deems necessary.

"Organizations throughout the city are cancelling children's Christmas parties planned for this week and next.

"Many doctors are advising parents to keep their children out of school now," Dr. Kinyoun told the council.

"This morning a child came to my office with all evidences of scarlet fever. She attended Mason school yesterday.

"Within the last two days, five children, three from Mason school, who have scarlet fever, have come downtown and to my office. One came on a street car."

"Pointing out that the Christmas vacation begins Saturday, Dr. Kinyoun asserted that closing the schools immediately will enable health authorities to get the disease well under control before classes are resumed January 6.

"Dr. Langfeld, on the other hand, asserted that a better check can be kept on new cases while children are in school."

ROTARIANS HOLD MEETING

The Rotary club held their weekly luncheon Tuesday at the Moffatt cafe an da very interesting program was arranged with John E. Prady in charge of the meeting.

Judge A. H. Duxbury read a letter written by Wayne Choate, Glenwood editor, who has been confined to his room for the past few weeks as the result of an accident. The Rotary club had sent messages of sympathy to the injured editor who has so often been a guest of the local club. Mr. Choate sent a message to the Plattsmouth Rotarians filled with his usual optimistic views and thoughts and which was very much appreciated.

William Baird gave a very interesting talk on classification and membership of which committee he is the chairman and this was very much enjoyed and appreciated by all of the members of the organization.

The Journal will appreciate all news items phoned to No. 6.