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## Plans for Fine Convention of Women's Clubs

First District Federation to Meet at Humboldt—R. Foster Patterson to Give Address.

Approximately forty clubs and ten junior clubs representing a membership of more than two thousand, are interested in the first district Nebraska Federation of Women's clubs to be held March 31 and April 1st, at Humboldt. Governmental secretary will be stressed in the address of R. Foster Patterson of Tarkio college, entitled "Our American Heritage." Mr. Patterson will be presented by Mrs. Varro Tyler of Nebraska City, district chairman of American Citizenship. The evening address open to the public will be followed by a Town Hall Forum.

Mrs. David Simms of Hastings will head a panel of speakers on the subject of "Peace." The panel includes Mrs. John Pyle of Pawnee City, Mrs. W. H. Horrum of Auburn and Mrs. Ivan Balfour of Union. They will use "Neutrality," "The League of Nations" and "Our State Department" as their subjects in the search for security in international relations.

Mrs. Ernest Overton of Nebraska City, state chairman of rural clubs, will speak on "The Rural Club and the Federation."

Mrs. Walter Kiechel is in charge of the "County Presidents' Round Table Conference."

The close of the convention will be in a lighter vein, and is in charge of Mrs. E. H. Wescott of Plattsmouth. This part of the program is to be a mystery, with only one disclosure, that five brunette junior club members will take part.

## HAS TERRIBLE EXPERIENCE

Louis Schiessl, residing west of the city, had a terrible experience with a maddened mule Sunday, and in which he had a close call from death or grave injury. Mr. Schiessl was leading a young colt out of the barn when the mule attempted to attack the colt and was driven off by Mr. Schiessl. The mule then turned on the man and he was knocked down and the mule started to kick him, one blow striking him on top of the head and cut a deep gash that required two stitches to close. Mr. Schiessl battled the mule off with a pitchfork as best he could as Mrs. Schiessl ran for help to one of the neighbors. The rescue party found the injured man lying in the potato patch some distance from the barn, bleeding in several places from the pawing he received. The mule was also bleeding badly as it had been necessary to prod him with the tines of the pitchfork before he ceased his attack. Dr. Westover was called and dressed the injuries of Mr. Schiessl.

## HONORED ON BIRTHDAY

Mrs. V. T. Arn was guest of honor at a very pleasant family gathering on Sunday, the family joining in a fine dinner in honor of her birthday. The dinner was prepared by the daughters of the family and was a delicious and much enjoyed feast, featured by the handsome birthday cake.

Miss Bernese Arn, who is a nurse at an Omaha hospital, as well as Miss Marjorie Arn, of the Alvo schools came home for the day. Other guests besides the family were Miss Melba Shoemaker of Alvo and Mr. Albert Kreager of Mynard.

The members of the jolly party from out of the city all returned home in the evening to resume their work.

## ASKS FOR DIVORCE

In the office of the clerk of the district court an action has been filed entitled, Henry A. Lamphere vs. Edith S. Lamphere. The plaintiff asks a decree of divorce and the custody of the two minor children of the marriage. The petition, which gives cruelty as the charge, states that the parties were married on December 8, 1920 at Council Bluffs, Iowa. J. Howard Davis and C. A. Rawls appear in the action for the plaintiff.

## WEDDED HERE SATURDAY

On Saturday evening Judge A. H. Duxbury was called upon to unite in the bonds of wedlock, Miss Miriam Marie Niebaum and Mr. Clarence Richard Martin, both of Sioux City, Iowa. The bridal couple were attended by Byron McManigal and Miss Julia Muser, also of Sioux City.

Miss Coloilo P. Jensen and Mr. Edward G. Schneckenberger, both of Omaha, secured the necessary permit to join in the bonds of matrimony and were later married at the office of Judge C. L. Graves in the city hall. The ceremony was witnessed by Thomas W. Sutton and Thomas Festner, of this city.

## Death of Perry Coffman Occurs Early Today

Long Time Resident of Community Passes Away at Clarkson Hospital After Short Illness.

From Monday's Daily  
The death of Perry Coffman, 57, long time resident of Plattsmouth, occurred this morning at 4 o'clock at the Clarkson hospital at Omaha, where he has been for the past few days. Death was caused by an acute intestinal construction for which there could be no relief.

Mr. Coffman has been a resident here for his lifetime, a member of one of the old families that came here in the late seventies. He has been engaged in railroad work for many years, first with the Burlington and later with the BREX at the local shops.

He was married here to Miss Hilda Barwick, a number of years ago and who survives his passing.

There is also three brothers, of Lincoln and one sister.

## HERE FROM MONTANA

Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Heitzhausen, and son, Fred, Jr., of Billings, Montana, are here to enjoy a visit with their relatives and many old time friends. They are visiting with Mrs. F. W. Nolting, mother of Mrs. Heitzhausen, as well as the William Schmidtman and H. F. Goos families here and the Everett Spangler family at Murray.

They report a real winter in their section of Montana with low temperatures and much snow.

Mr. Heitzhausen states that the general condition there is excellent and many new projects being undertaken there, including the new scenic drive leading to Yellowstone park which will be one of the finest drives in the world.

They are close neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Karl Wurl, at Billings, also former Plattsmouth residents.

From here Mr. and Mrs. Heitzhausen plan a motor trip to Chicago before they return to the northwest.

## ACCEPTS NEW POSITION

Robert Bestor departed Sunday afternoon for Superior, Nebraska, where he is taking a position with the Mullet Hardware Co., one of the largest wholesale and retail hardware stores in the eastern part of the state. Mr. Bestor will serve as salesman for the company in the territory in southern and central Nebraska. Mr. Bestor has assisted in the Bestor & Swatek hardware store here and his experience should make him a very valuable salesman.

Mrs. John Hiber, Jr., of Hastings, Nebraska, who has been here visiting at the John Hiber and Bestor homes, accompanied Mr. Bestor to her home.

## VISIT IN IOWA

Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Briggs departed Sunday for Logan, Iowa, where they spent the day at the home of their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Briggs. They found the travel very good and but little traces left of the recent high water in the vicinity of Missouri Valley, where the Boyer and Floyd rivers caused a great deal of damage.

Small factories will find splendid opportunities to expand here. Among them, forthcoming river navigation with its resultant low shipping costs.

## Byron Golding Hero of Attempted Robbery Here

Arrives on Scene to Scare Off Transient Robbing Donat Liquor Store Monday Night.

Monday night as Byron Golding, well known merchant, was strolling down the north side of Main street, he was suddenly thrust into a real live attempted robbery, his presence proving the wreck of the plans of the two robbers.

Two men, who had been located at the transient camp north of the city, entered the Donat liquor store and while one of the party was discussing with Edward Donat, in charge of the place, the merits of various brands of liquor, the second man leaned on the counter on which reposed the cash register, which as is the custom was open.

Mr. Donat turned his back to secure a bottle for the customer and in a flash the nimble fingers of robber No. 2, closed on the roll of \$1 bills and had them out and ready to make his getaway.

In the meantime Mr. Golding, passing had glanced through the window and saw the snatch of the money, rushing into the store and at which the would be robber dropped the money, some \$16, and was off to a quick start as was his companion, abandoning all thought of the whiskey also fled.

Officers Pickrel and Stewart were at once on the trail of the men and a group of several of the camp residents was heard into the city jail. One man taken was later identified by Edward Donat as the man who had asked for the whiskey. This man, giving the name of Ed Ryan, was first shown to Mr. Donat as the prisoner stood bareheaded in the cell at the jail, but he failed to make his identification. On the suggestion of Sheriff Sylvester the man was dressed in his overcoat and hat that he had worn in the store and he was at once picked out by Donat as one of the would be robbers.

Several others were questioned by the police but the mysterious "Jack," as the man was called, had apparently sought the wide open spaces.

## JEFFERSON BIRTHDAY PARTY

On April 13th., the combined Young Democratic Clubs of America, will unite in the sponsor of a birthday party in commemoration of the late Thomas Jefferson, third president of the United States and the founder of the democratic party.

Messages to the local club, from Frank Wickham, president of the Young Democrats of America, discloses plans for making this event one of the nation's greatest.

This gala affair will be held on the eve of the primaries. The Thomas Jefferson birthday party, of Cass county, will be held in this city at the American Legion building. Representatives from every town in Cass county are expected to attend this gay occasion.

## WIN OPENING GAME

The Falstaff basketball team of this city, journeyed Tuesday evening to Tabor, Iowa, where they played their opening game in the tournament being held at that place. The Plattsmouth quintet won over Malvern by the score of 35 to 8 in a rather one-sided contest as the Mills county quintet was unable to stop the locals.

The Falstaffs will have as their second game the Marysville (Mo.) Teachers college quintet, one of the strong teams of the tournament.

A number of the fans are planning to make the trip to Tabor to enjoy the fine sport card that is being arranged.

## SUFFERS FROM EYE TROUBLE

George Thum, barber at the Cozy shop of Arnold Lillie, was forced to remain at his home Tuesday as the result of an attack of eye trouble that has been bothering him for several days. The eye has been inflamed and both the upper and lower lids of the left eye have been affected. It is thought that the condition was developed by eye strain or a possible cyst.

## TO LOCATE IN LINCOLN

John Sanders, who has been operating the local taxi line for the past several years, is to leave on Wednesday for Lincoln, where he will take up work with the Roberts Construction Co., one of the large construction companies in the eastern part of the state.

Mr. Sanders was formerly in the employ of this company as time-keeper and with the opening of the spring and summer construction program will be back on his old job.

The taxi business will probably be looked after by Mrs. Sanders for the present, altho the family expect later to move to Lincoln to make their home.

## Frank Petereit Suffers Serious Injury Monday

Struck Down by a Horse and Suffers Very Severe Injuries About His Head.

Monday, shortly after noon, Frank M. Petereit, well known farmer, who resides west of this city on the Slagall farm, met with a serious accident on Vine street when he was struck down by one of his teams of horses. The unfortunate man with his small son had led the horses when they stopped suddenly and Mr. Petereit had stooped over to fix a rein and was struck on the head, receiving a severe blow from the horse. The aged man had fallen to the ground unconscious. After a short time the injured man was discovered by Charles Kratochville and Joseph Kvapil, the latter, near whose residence the accident occurred. Mr. Kvapil had summoned R. M. Puyles, a neighbor who had driven the injured man to the office of Dr. R. P. Westover who restored Mr. Petereit to consciousness and treated his injuries.

Mr. Petereit was en route to the Bajcek residence which was formerly rented by Mr. and Mrs. James Miller but who had moved away last week. Mr. and Mrs. Petereit have moved there where they are expecting to farm it in the future. The sudden and serious accident of the unfortunate man will require some time before he will be able to be up and around, tending to his usual farm activities.

## HAS UNIQUE EXPERIENCE

Mrs. Harry Kruger, who is assisting in the paint and wall paper store on North 6th street, had a rather unusual experience Tuesday afternoon. She was working around the store and Mr. Kruger preparing to make a hurried trip to Omaha after some supplies. When ready to go Mr. Kruger rushed out of the store, locking the door behind him and carrying away the key. It was not for some time that Mrs. Kruger discovered that she was a prisoner and that customers were also unable to get into the store. It was some hours before Mr. Kruger returned to discover that the store had been on a holiday as far as business was concerned.

## TAKEN TO HOSPITAL

Tuesday afternoon James L. Hiskett, night clerk at the Hotel Plattsmouth, was taken to Lincoln where he was placed in the U. S. Veterans' hospital for treatment. Mr. Hiskett was taken very suddenly with an acute attack of appendicitis and which made necessary his being rushed to Lincoln. Mr. Hiskett did not feel well Monday but was apparently no worse when he quit his work early Tuesday morning, but shortly afterwards he was taken violently ill.

## VISIT AT FALLS CITY

From Wednesday's Daily  
The members of the Plattsmouth party who entertained at the Rotary meeting at Falls City last evening, had a most delightful time in the Richardson county city.

The entertainers were L. S. Devoe with his magic act, the Plattsmouth quartet composed of Frank Cloldt, R. C. Cook, L. O. Minor and H. G. McClusky, with E. H. Wescott as the accompanist. Mr. Cloldt was also a soloist on the program.

## Saturday to be Dollar Day in Plattsmouth

First Special Sales Day of the New Year Participated in by Group of Plattsmouth Merchants

In this edition of the Journal appear the ads of a considerable number of Plattsmouth merchants who are participating in Dollar Day Saturday, March 21st. The special \$1 values have been arranged to give their patrons the utmost for their money and in the list are found a great many appealing specials.

This is the first of a series of Special Sales events to be put on during the Spring and Summer season, and a further announcement will be made in next Monday's Journal concerning the plans of the Advertising committee of the Plattsmouth Ad club to attract trade to town from an ever increasing distance as the automobile cuts down mileage barriers which existed in the old days.

With improving weather and better roads, this first of the Spring and Summer offerings should bring people here to trade Saturday from a great distance.

As a shopping center, Plattsmouth stands high with the people of her trade territory. The reason is apparent in the quality of merchandise being offered and the prices quoted for same in ads appearing in this issue of the Journal.

Whatever may be your desires, you can find the goods you want in Plattsmouth, and most generally at the price you want to pay.

Seasonal articles of all kinds are included in this Saturday sale, and you will find the biggest values in the meat and grocery line in Plattsmouth of any town within a radius of 50 to a hundred miles.

The Journal urges its readers to read the ads thoroughly. It is part of a newspaper's mission to furnish its patrons with news of money saving trade opportunities and in conjunction with local merchants, we can assure you that you will find many such opportunities in our advertising columns, not only this week, but throughout the coming months.

Come to Plattsmouth Saturday, renew acquaintance with old friends whom you may not have seen since the days of the big snow and take advantage of the bargains that are being offered in all lines.

## SHOWER FOR NEWLYWEDS

The pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stodola was the scene of a most delightful gathering on Sunday, the event being a shower in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Stodola, whose marriage occurred recently.

The jolly party spent the time in visiting and in honor of the occasion Mr. and Mrs. Stodola were presented with a large array of useful and serviceable gifts as remembrances of the old time friends.

The afternoon was closed by the serving of dainty and delicious refreshments by Mrs. Stodola.

Out of town guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Otto Smolik and daughter, Mary Jean, of Omaha.

## RETURNING HOME

Henry Sanders and daughter, Miss Anna, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Albert and daughter, Betty Ann, who have been visiting at Los Angeles and San Diego, California, are en route home, word received here by the relatives state.

They left Monday afternoon via auto and it is expected that they will be here in the next few days. They have been spending the winter on the west coast and escaped much of the severe weather here.

## BANQUET TICKETS

The tickets for the Happy Hundred banquet, at which Governor R. L. Cochran will be a guest, are now ready and being snapped up by the public. Those who are expecting to attend the banquet, Thursday evening, March 26th, at 6:30 at the American Legion building, are urged to notify members of the committee of their intention to attend. The tickets can be secured from L. E. McKissick or Dr. F. R. Molak.

## SPEAKS BEFORE CLASS

County Judge A. H. Duxbury was the speaker Tuesday at the high school before the class in American history of which Mr. Wayne Alvord is the teacher. Judge Duxbury took up the organization of the courts in the United States for the administration of the estate of deceased persons, this being commonly known as the probate court. This court had proven one of the important law bodies in the nation and in Nebraska the title of the court was changed to that of the county court. The nature of cases handled outside of probate matters was also very interestingly discussed by Judge Duxbury.

## Many Complaints Heard in County Court Today

Several Criminal Offenses Heard and on Not Guilty Pleas Preliminaries Set.

From Wednesday's Daily  
This morning in the county court was field day in criminal cases heard before Judge A. H. Duxbury, as there were three complaints of varying charges filed by County Attorney W. G. Kieck.

Edward J. Ryan was charged with larceny of \$16 in money, the property of Henry Donat, the crime alleged to have taken place on Monday evening, March 16th, at the liquor store owned by Henry Donat. Defendant entered a plea of not guilty and preliminary hearing set for Saturday, March 21 at 10 a. m.

Florence Hook, alias Florence Cunningham, of Omaha, was arraigned on a charge of forgery, passing a no fund check at a coffee shop in Weeping Water and which had been drawn on the First National bank of Omaha in the sum of \$12. To this the defendant entered a plea of guilty. The court assessed a fine of \$100 and costs.

A complaint was filed in the court charging Georgia Price with assault on Leona Price, Tuesday at the home of the defendant, where it was claimed the complaining witness had sought to secure the custody of the children of the defendant, Mrs. Georgia Price, who are in her custody. The complaining witness is a sister of the estranged husband of the defendant. A plea of not guilty was entered in the case and the preliminary hearing set for Saturday morning at 10 a. m.

## GIVES FINE TALK

This morning the members of the world history class of the high school of which Miss Jessie Whelan is teacher, had the pleasure of a very fine talk by Attorney A. L. Tidd.

Mr. Tidd discussed the matter of river navigation, touching on the proposed docks at this point, their location along the river front and the location of highways leading to the main highways. He told of the reductions that might be secured by water rates, the landing of cargoes here that could be shipped to interior points in the state by rail at much lower rates.

Mr. Tidd has given much thought to this subject and his remarks were very much enjoyed by the students.

## ADDRESSES SCHOOL

From Monday's Daily  
This morning County Treasurer John E. Turner was speaker at the high school. Mr. Turner spoke before the class on political science, taught by Wayne Alvord. His talk covered the functions of the various county offices and how they each bore their part in the affairs of the county government and were in turn connected with the state offices.

## VISIT IN MISSOURI

Mrs. Theodore Ptak, Mrs. Emmons Ptak, Mrs. John Bajcek and Jerry Sharpnack, were at Savannah, Missouri, Sunday where they spent a few hours at the hospital there with Mrs. Fred H. Sharpnack. Mrs. Sharpnack is now receiving treatment and it is thought is doing very nicely, altho she will have to remain there for some time yet before being allowed to return home.

Phone news items to No. 6.

## Local Man Falls for the Wives of a City Slicker

Arthur Weiss Minus \$600 as Result of "Stripper Lil" Con Game in Omaha Apartment.

Omaha police Monday rounded up a man identified by Arthur Weiss, 27, as one of those who had assisted in trimming him out of \$600 in a card game at Omaha several days ago. The man identified by Weiss, local farmer, was given a ninety day vagrancy sentence, but the \$600 is still missing.

Weiss told the Omaha police that two men, claiming to be brothers, had come to his place, four miles northwest of Plattsmouth, and offered him \$2.50 a day to board two race horses. He had agreed and the men had brought him to Omaha to complete the contract.

The trio arrived in Omaha and were seemingly unable to find the holder of the contract, so Weiss was invited to a place on St. Mary's avenue for a drink.

The suggestion was made that they play cards for four bottles of beer and the trap was baited. The cards were dealt and Weiss soon had two aces in his hand and which caused his "friend" and coach, to announce that he would bet \$2,240 on the hand Weiss held against the other man. The "friend" however, found he had but \$1,640 on him and accordingly Weiss put up the remainder of the stake, \$600. Weiss was promised that he would be repaid if he lost and get half the profits if his hand won. The hands were sealed while Weiss got the money from a bank. When the hands were opened Weiss had two aces and a queen while the Omaha rival had two aces and a king.

Weiss was brought back home by one of the men who promised to return him the \$600 in a few days. In the meantime Weiss read of the same game being played on a South Dakota farmer in Omaha, and he accordingly notified authorities and which resulted in the Omaha police rounding up one of the suspects.

The man claimed in police court that he was an innocent bystander and stakeholder and had not received any of the Weiss money.

The \$600 is still missing, however.

## PIONEER WOMAN DIES

From Tuesday's Daily  
Mrs. Augusta Riester, 76, one of the pioneer residents of the vicinity of Manley and Louisville, died this morning at her home after an illness of some duration. She suffered a stroke several months ago and has since been in failing health.

The deceased lady was one of the loved and honored figures of the central portion of the county and has many friends who will regret her passing. She is survived by one son, Frank Riester as well as a number of grandchildren.

The funeral will be held on Thursday morning at the St. Patrick's church at Manley with Father Patrick Hart celebrating the requiem mass.

Interment will be at the Manley cemetery beside the husband who preceded her in death several years ago.

## MAKES GUILTY PLEA

From Tuesday's Daily  
This morning in the court of Police Judge C. L. Graves, Bert Lamphere was arraigned on the charge of being found in a state of intoxication. The defendant entered a plea of guilty and was fined \$10 and costs Lamphere was arrested last night by Officers Stewart and Pickrel in the north part of the city.

## LEAVE FOR CHICAGO

Harley Becker and Ray Cann of Chicago, who have been visiting here for the last few days, departed Sunday for their home in the windy city. They detoured for the trip via Omaha and thence east over No. 6.

## TO VISIT IN WISCONSIN

Oliver Henton, left Saturday evening for Janesville, Wis., where he will spend two weeks at the home of his uncle, Frank Oliver.