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Presbyterian Federation Has Fine Meeting

"Use of the Year Book of Prayer for Missions" for Theme of Impressive Scenes.

From Thursday's Daily—

In spite of the severe cold, a large number of women gathered at the Presbyterian Fellowship room yesterday afternoon, for the regular meeting of the Federation.

There was much business of importance and pleasing reports from recent activities.

The program of the afternoon was arranged by Mrs. H. G. McClusky on the subject: "Uses of the Year Book of Prayer for Missions."

The leader first gave a clear and concise explanation of this publication; its contents, its purpose, and plan. Then by four talking pictures she brought out many suggestions for its use. All the scenes were supposed to take place in any Christian home.

Picture I—The breakfast hour and the family assembled: Mrs. Virgil Perry, as mother, Mrs. Luke Wiles a visiting auntie, Mrs. P. T. Heineman and Mrs. Ralph Wehrlein, daughters and Elizabeth Perry as little John. Much interest was aroused when a friend's name happened to be one for whom prayer was to be made that day. The scene closed with the period of morning worship.

Picture II was a clever colloquy given by Mrs. Ray Misner, bringing out the thought that the Year Book of Prayer could be given as a Christmas remembrance. The second scene, two weeks later brought her the wonderfully appreciative letters from the recipients.

Picture III showed that it could be used in the hour of retreat. The personal devotion was reflected by Mrs. Glen Vallery in still pose, while "In the Secret of His Presence" was read appealingly by a hidden voice.

Picture IV showed how even a busy mother, rushed with the family cares and household routine, can pause for the 9 a. m. Universal Prayer Hour. Even her duties suggest petitions she can make. This scene was effectively portrayed by Mrs. Richard Beverage.

Mrs. Everett Pickens was heard in a beautiful sacred solo.

Circle No. 2 was in charge of the entertaining, and served most delicious refreshments. The tables reflected the Christmas time, with their wealth of evergreen and tall red candles.

FEEDING THE BIRDS

The coming of winter brings to the fore a vital thought for the public in regard to the birds that are wintering in this part of the west.

The birds will find difficulty in the winter securing food in the cold and snow and which should lead the public to lend their efforts in seeing that food is provided that the birds can secure in the long months of the winter. Bread crumbs, suet and other foods should be placed so that they may be secured by the birds.

In recent years apparently large numbers of the birds have perished and every one of these that are gone makes one less to battle with the insect life in the summer season, a menace that has taken heavy toll of the crops of this part of the west.

Do your part in providing food for the feathered friends now that they may repay a hundredfold in the future in their destruction of dangerous insects.

GIVE FINE ENTERTAINMENT

Judge and Mrs. A. H. Duxbury were at the Port Crook school Friday evening where they presented a program of motion pictures and a travelogue of their trip to Washington and New England the past summer. The program was very much enjoyed by the members of the P. T. A. under whose auspices it was presented.

After the business session at the school there was a very dainty luncheon served that all enjoyed to the utmost.

The school is taught by Mrs. J. A. Capwell of this city and Miss Anna Hood of Port Crook.

FUNERAL OF BABE

The funeral services for Richard Dean Dew, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Hershel Dew of Council Bluffs, was held Wednesday afternoon from the Sattler funeral home. There were a large group of the friends of the family present for the last rites.

Rev. G. A. Pahl, pastor of the St. Paul's Evangelical church conducted the services for the little one who had been taken from the home after a few brief months of life.

Mrs. Ray Herring sang "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" during the service. Miss Leona Meisinger being the accompanist.

The interment was at the Oak Hill cemetery.

Credit Bureau to be Sponsored by the Ad Club

Thomas Thomsen of Nebraska City to Establish Branch of Organization in This City.

The Plattsmouth Business Men's Ad club at their session Wednesday decided to enter into an agreement with Thomas Thomsen of Nebraska City for the establishment of a credit bureau in this city, similar to that operated by Mr. Thomsen in Nebraska City.

There was a very large attendance of the merchants as well as a number of professional men present and who were very much impressed by the statements of Mr. Thomsen relative to the work of the bureau in his home community.

The bureau gathers vital facts regarding the residents of the community as to their record in settling their accounts, personal records as to standing, family and all other elements that might be called upon by persons from whom credit might be sought.

This information as to the life and record of the persons in the community is carried on a master card that is kept in the files of the credit bureau and the information available to any member of the bureau at a few moments notice.

There will be offices maintained here and where any of the members may telephone or call and in a moment have the information on the cards given them in order to determine the desirability of extending credit to an applicant.

The Thomsen credit bureau is affiliated with 1,300 other bureaus over the United States and which keeps in touch with each other, in the handling of shifting accounts where the parties may move from one place to another.

At the Nebraska City bureau Mr. Thomsen also operates a collecting agency and the issuance of a service bulletin each week and these features will also be made a part of the local bureau when it is established.

PINOCHLE TOURNAMENT

The winners in the weekly pinochle contest at the Recreation Center last night:

Frank Rebal	4700
Ether Whitley	4340
Mrs. W. H. Puls	4500
Jerry Konfrst	4530
W. H. Puls	4190
Mrs. O. Sandin	4190
Mrs. Lee Phillips	4340
Mrs. Frank Rebal	3840
A. J. Koubek	3570
E. O. Vroman	4400
Alex Church	4320
Lee Phillips	4500
Frank Konfrst	4690
Mrs. E. O. Vroman	4050

REJOICE IN NEW SON

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Gerbeling are the happy parents of a fine little son born on Tuesday evening at an Omaha hospital. The mother and little one are doing nicely and the occasion has brought much happiness to the members of the family. The little one is grandson of Mr. and Mrs. William Sitzman of this city.

WILL SING IN STORES

The Junior high school girl's class of the Methodist Sunday school are planning a very interesting feature for the Christmas season. They are to sing in the various stores of the city during the ten days preceding Christmas.

Musical Program is Given by the Local High School

Music Department Under Direction of Lee Meyers, Teacher, Offers Fine Entertainment.

The high school auditorium was filled Friday evening by a large audience of students and patrons of the school to enjoy the fine program that was presented by the music department of the school.

The program was arranged by Lee Meyers, teacher of music in the high and junior high school and was a real treat to the music appreciating public, all of the young people taking part giving a fine rendition of their parts.

The entertainment which was of over an hour in duration, gave all sections of the musical department an opportunity to be heard and all who were fortunate enough to attend felt well repaid for their time in the excellent presentations.

The numbers reflected the greatest credit upon Mr. Meyers and the students of his music department and as each number was given it afforded added enjoyment to the large audience.

The following program was presented by the personnel:
Band—"Our Director," "On Wisconsin," "Billboard," "Wave the Flag," "Across the Field."
Orchestra—"Flag of Truce," "Gavotte Souvenir," "March Militaire," "Contraalto Solo," "Song of Songs," "Flora Belle Meade."
Brass Sextette, "Vesper Bells Are Ringing," "Sometime, Home How Somewhere." Personnel: Allen White, Burton Rishel, Joe Noble, Stephen Devoe and John Jacobs.

Bass Solo, "The Trumpeter," Dick Hall.
Vocal solo, "Old Violin," Eleanor Minoy.
Haritone solo, "Where My Caravan Has Rested," John Jacobs.
Saxophone solo, "Nadine," Ray Wooster.
Girls' Sextette (B): "Oh! Dear, What Can the Matter Be?" Kathryn Barkus, Jean Knorr, Margaret Ann Vallery, Wilma Swatek, Hazel Kelley and Flora Belle Meade.

Boys' Quartette, "Marching Along Together," "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Had," "Little Cotton Dolly." Personnel: Dick Hall, Ted Libershal, John Jacobs, Richard Cole.
Boys' Glee, "Jolly Roger," "Drink to Me Only with Thine Eyes," "My Nebraska."
Mixed Chorus, "As Torrents in Summer," "Dear Land of Home."
Girls' Glee, "Echo Song," "Shepherd."

Girls' Sextette (A): "Dusk in a Garden." Personnel: Eleanor Minor, Frances Cloidt, Shirley Seiver, Betty Vorboril, Helen Hiatt and Shirley Petersen.
Accompanists: Jean Knorr, Mixed Chorus, Girls' Glee, Boys' Quartette, Solos, Girls' Sextette (A).
Ruth Westover, Boys' Glee, Girls' Sextette (B).
Flora Belle Meade, Orchestra.

HONORS OFFICIALS

The current issue of "Life" has a large advertisement of the American Telephone & Telegraph Co., and in which the heads of various telephone systems are shown.
Among the portraits is that of Lloyd B. Wilson, former resident of Plattsmouth and where he was born and spent his early boyhood. He is now president of the Chesapeake company with headquarters at Washington.
Mr. Wilson will be remembered by the older residents of the city and while still a boy was engaged as night operator of the Bell Telephone Co., at their office then located over the C. E. Westcott's store. His salary then was \$12.50 per month while now it is near the \$50,000 mark per year.

Leaving this city, Mr. Wilson remained with the Bell company and was at their Omaha offices for a great many years until called to the higher field of a telephone executive.

HAVE A CLOSE CALL

When Arnold Lillie, George Thum and John Jordan, three local wrestling fans, were en route to Omaha to attend a match, they had a close call from having a bad wreck or being plunged into the Platte river.

The bumper on the car of Mr. Lillie came loose and one end dropped and forced the car over the rail of the bridge before the car was stopped and gave them a scare as the car seemed headed to crash the rail.

TAKEN UNDER ADVISEMENT

The compensation claim of Jack Hatt, which was heard Thursday in compensation court, was taken under advisement by Judge Welsh. The claimant was asking compensation for injuries received at a local fire as a member of the fire department.

FIRE AT SPIDELL HOME

The fire department was called Friday evening to the residence occupied by the Frank Spidell family on Marble street between Sixth and Seventh street where considerable smoke damage was done by a small fire.

The family were preparing to leave home for the evening and Mr. Spidell noticed the glow of a fire reflected in the windows of a neighbor's home and returning to his house he discovered a fire raging in a couch in the living room. It is thought that a match or cigarette had dropped unnoticed in the couch and caused the fire.

The couch was carried out and very little damage done to the home aside from the smoke.

Death of Mrs. Grant Hackenberg at Mynard Home

Well Known Resident of Mynard Dies After Long Illness.

Mrs. Grant Hackenberg, 64, a resident of this community for many years, died Thursday night at the family home after a long illness, from heart trouble.

Mrs. Hackenberg was a daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Fry, early day residents of this community and here she spent the greater part of her lifetime.

She was injured some two years ago in an auto accident that had affected her greatly.

Mrs. Hackenberg is survived by her aged husband and one daughter, Mrs. Phillip Rihn, of Union.

DRIVERS LICENSES BRING A NEAT SUM

The record of the drivers licenses sold at the office of County Treasurer John E. Turner to the date of November 30th, discloses that a neat sum was derived for the state and county. The treasurer's force have the task of the issuance of the licenses and the placing of the money to the state funds and the county general fund.

There were 5,786 licenses issued by the office on renewals at 75c each and which netted the sum of \$4,339.50. There were 784 new licenses issued at the fee of \$1 each and which amounted to \$784. There were three duplicates issued at 25c each and which brought 75c.

The total amount that was collected at the office of the county treasurer to November 30th was \$5,124.25. Of this amount the state received \$4,795.00.

Class county received on each license issued a fee of five cents or the total sum of \$328.65. The five cent fee on each license, or \$328.65 goes to the general fund of the county.

The treasurer or none of the employees receive any fee for the handling of the issuance, it being in the regular business of the office.

VISITS AT LINCOLN

William A. Robertson, grand master of the Nebraska Masons, was at Lincoln Wednesday night to attend the ceremonial of the Lincoln shrine of which he is a member. There was a large attendance and members of Tangier temple of Omaha were present with candidates and their band and drill team. Mr. Robertson was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Evers and his daughter, Miss Rachel.

The men were entertained at the dinner at Cornhusker while the ladies of the Shriner party were entertained at dinner at the University club and a theatre party, later all joining the dance at the Cornhusker.

Miss Robertson is remaining over the week end to visit her sister, Mrs. Harold Murphy and is a guest at the party given by the Mortar Board and also at the Kappa Gamma sorority.

UNDERGOES OPERATION

Mrs. Ed Kohrell underwent an operation for tumor in the Antone Earl hospital Wednesday morning.

Debate Squad Faces Some Stiff Competition

Has Won 3 of 4, Including Double Victory Over Nebr. City—To Enter Tournaments.

From Saturday's Daily—

The Plattsmouth high school debate squad, coached by Milo W. Price of the high school faculty appears to be headed for a very successful season. The squad has won three of its four debates to date, including a double victory over Nebraska City here yesterday.

The squad is made up of four experienced debaters, who took training along this line last year under Mr. Price. They are Robert Woest, Harriette Case, John Bestor and Homer (Jack) Barton. Woest, the only senior in the group, is president of the high school student council, is an "A" student and is proficient in both music and dramatics. Miss Case is a very capable actress and a good all-around student. She has appeared in numerous school plays and dramatic skits. Bestor is an "A" student, thorough in research work and a dependable and convincing speaker. Barton has displayed considerable dramatic ability and has many of the essentials of a good orator.

Results to Date

On Wednesday, December 1, the Plattsmouth debaters went to Omaha to engage in practice debates with the best girls' teams of Omaha, at Technical high school. The national high school debate question, "Resolved, that the several states should adopt the unicameral system of legislation" was debated. Woest and Bestor, supporting the affirmative, won a decision, while Barton and Case on the negative lost the decision.

Yesterday Nebraska City's debaters came to Plattsmouth for some forensic competition. Ed Wehrlein and Bob Bestor of Plattsmouth's 1931 district championship debate team, acted as the critic judges. Plattsmouth won both debates.

Face Stiff Competition

Future debates already scheduled include:

Lincoln high school at Lincoln, December 20.
Nebraska City high school at Nebraska City (return debate), January 7.
Auburn high school at Auburn, January 15.

Tecumseh, Sabetha (Kansas) and Hiawatha (Kansas) high schools in round robin debate session at Auburn, January 15.

Tournament Plans

Plattsmouth will be one of twenty high schools represented at the Doane college tournament at Crete February 18 and 19. Invitations to the annual Midland college tournament and to the Peru tournament will soon be received and accepted.

This will give the Plattsmouth debaters the "mental toughening" they need before entering the official district tournament to be held at Lincoln in March. At that time they will compete with Auburn, Beatrice, Fremont, Geneva, Lincoln, Nebraska City and Tecumseh for the District Debate Championship.

Mr. Price came to the Plattsmouth schools last year, recommended particularly for his ability to train successful debate squads and the results last year and so far this season bear out that recommendation. In addition to coaching debating as an extra curricula activity, he teaches History on the regular school schedule.

BREX OFFICER HERE

From Friday's Daily—

F. G. Luth, assistant mechanical superintendent of the Fruit Growers' Express company, was in Plattsmouth yesterday looking after business at the local BREX shops. While in the city Mr. Luth and G. J. Jaeger visited C. D. Palmer who has been confined to his bed as the result of an injury.

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AUTO WRECK NEAR ALVO

Friday night an auto crash occurred near Alvo and in which the cars of Orest Cook of Alvo and Jack Ross of Weeping Water were badly damaged, but fortunately none of the occupants were seriously hurt.

Mr. Cook had with him six students of the Alvo school, bound for Murdock to attend a basketball game. Mr. Ross suffered some small cuts and all of the party were shook up and bruised but none seriously.

Deputy Sheriff Cass Sylvester was called to the scene of the accident to make an investigation and today members of the state highway patrol were looking over the situation where the wreck occurred.

Compensation Hearing on the Jack Hatt Case

Hearing Before Judge Welsh at Court House—Insurance Company Denied the Claim.

From Thursday's Daily—

The hearing of the claim of Jack Hatt, member of the fire department, for compensation, was heard today by Judge Lawrence Welsh of the compensation court, at the district court room.

Jack Hatt, a member of the Plattsmouth volunteer fire department, was severely injured on March 3, 1937, while assisting in fighting a fire at the residence of Miss Alice Eaton on Locust street, the house being occupied by the L. G. Meisinger family at the time.

The claim was filed and refused by the company carrying the city insurance, on grounds that the fireman had not been properly certified by the city as required by law or his name confirmed by the city council.

The case has attracted much attention both in the council and fire department.

SET HEARING DATES

The state railway commission has announced the dates of hearing for truckers of Cass county who have applications on file. The hearings will be held at the court house here by Examiner Arnold.

The following who have complied with applications and paid the regular fee, will be heard on Thursday, December 23rd:

M-2 Applications

D. M. Hubbell, Cedar Creek, 9 a. m.; Edward A. Ingram, Louisville, 9:30 a. m.; August Ossenkop, Louisville, 10 a. m.; Minton V. Wood, Elmwood, 10:30 a. m.; R. Eldon Moore, Weeping Water, 11 a. m.; Ronald D. Helget, Weeping Water, 11:30 a. m.

M-8 Applications

I. B. Johnson, Plattsmouth, 1 p. m.; Thelma Albin, Murray, 1:30 p. m.; Charles Roelofs, Alvo, 2 p. m.; Harvey E. Rich, Weeping Water, 2:30 p. m.; Frank Marshall, Weeping Water, 3 p. m.; Cleta Ruth Miller, Weeping Water, 3:30 p. m.; Cloyd West, Elmwood, 4 p. m.

The following applications on file from Cass county have not been completed on form M-2 and hearing will be held on Thursday, December 23, at 5 p. m. to show cause why the applications should not be denied and dismissed:

Harold Dell, Greenwood; Harold M. Williams, Louisville; W. H. Kruger, Nehawka; Horace W. Griffin, Union.

RETURNS FROM EAST

Mrs. R. A. Bates, who has been visiting with relatives at Lockport Illinois, since Thanksgiving, returned home this morning after a delightful stay in the east.

This is the old home of the family of Mrs. Bates and several of the aunts, uncles and cousins still reside there and her visit made a most pleasant reunion with them all.

HOLDS RELIGIOUS SERVICES

Rev. Brown, of Omaha, of the Presbyterian church, held services Wednesday at the Rock Bluffs school house. The bad weather kept many from attending, but the interest shown was great and Rev. Brown will preach there on Wednesday, December 15th at 8 o'clock.

Noted Speaker at Union Church Thursday Night

Lady Well Versed in Old World Affairs to Address Meeting of Fellowship Association.

Mrs. David S. Simms, of Hastings, Nebraska, chairman of International Relations, is scheduled to speak on "World Affairs" at the Methodist Episcopal church in Union Thursday evening, December 16, at 7:45.

The speaker will address the Cass County Christian Fellowship association and will be prepared to answer questions on world problems today. She is coming highly recommended and will speak with first hand knowledge and convictions gained from a recent two months educational trip to the League of Nations headquarters, where she studied world conditions. She also did considerable traveling in Europe along with her studies.

The message should awaken wide interest and encourage people to study what is back of conditions that exist today, for no persons stands unaffected by the conflicts in the world at the present time.

The Cass County Fellowship association, composed of ministers and laymen from the various co-operating churches throughout the county, was recently reorganized to function widely through monthly meetings in various churches throughout the year. A new constitution was written and recently adopted to govern the gospel meetings and educational gatherings from time to time.

Rev. N. B. Callaway of the Methodist church at Louisville is president and Rev. A. B. Small of the United Brethren church in Nehawka is the secretary treasurer.

The program committee composed of Rev. Harvey A. Schwab, pastor of the Murdock Evangelical church, Rev. C. Jannen of the Elmwood Evangelical church, and Mrs. A. B. Stromer of Alvo, Nebraska, were given hearty invitations by several pastors, at the last meeting, to hold these services in their communities during the coming months.

The churches in which meetings are to be held soon are: Union M. E. church; the Elmwood Christian church, the Nehawka United Brethren church, the Mynard United Brethren and the Murdock Evangelical church. The gospel services are conducted on a Sunday afternoon at 2:30 p. m., with educational meetings on the opposite month, usually on the first Monday evening after the first Sunday.

Long range program planning by the committee is attempting to secure outstanding speakers for the educational meetings, while the gospel services will be provided by the various county pastors.

Music for the meeting Thursday evening will be furnished by the Men's and Ladies' quartettes of the Methodist Episcopal church in Union. Miss Nadine Booher will give a reading.

All are cordially invited to attend the monthly meetings.

COMPLETES TEACHER TRAINING

Mrs. Beula K. Albin of Union has recently finished sufficient college work from the University of Nebraska and has been granted her permanent elementary state teacher's certificate. Mrs. Albin is teaching her third year in the Ervin school northeast of Union.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

I take this means of stating publicly that I have at no time made any accusations or statements of any kind to anyone as to any person stealing chickens.

GEORGE MAYABB.

Guy Stewart has Old Time Dances above Trilety's Beer Tavern at Plattsmouth, Nebr., every Wednesday night. Also Old Time Dance Christmas eve. Gents, 30c; Ladies, 10c; Couples, 35c. 1t-sw

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