

# The North Platte Semi-Weekly Tribune.

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## M. E. CHURCH DEDICATED ENTIRELY FREE OF DEBT

### EDIFICE REMODELED AND FURNISHED AT A COST OF \$25,000 CONSECRATED TO WORSHIP

#### Bishop Stuntz Present and Preaches to a Large Audience in Morning and Lectures to a Crowded House in the Evening.

After expending \$25,000 in remodeling and refurbishing their house of worship, the Methodists of North Platte held the dedicatory services Sunday. It was a great day for the congregation and for the officers, for not only was the church dedicated free of debt, but there was present Bishop Stuntz, whose sermon in the morning was helpful and whose lecture on South America in the evening was intensely interesting. Then there was the choir of more than thirty voices rendering tuneful hymns and anthems; the orchestral music in the evening, and above all was the satisfactory thought ever present that the beautifully finished building through the enthusiasm of the pastor and the committees and the liberality of the membership and the donations of citizens had been placed in service with not a cent of debt overhanging it.

The seating capacity of the auditorium is about 450, with a gallery seating nearly 100, but these were deemed insufficient and about 200 chairs additional were placed in the wing room for the morning service, and then the accommodations were over-taxed. For the evening service, sixty additional chairs were provided, yet a number could not be seated. Over 1500 attended the two services.

At the morning service Bishop Stuntz stated that all but about \$500 of the building expense had been provided for; that he would not ask for subscriptions to meet this sum, but the plate would be passed. Over \$450 was placed on the plate, and at the evening service an amount sufficient to more than cover the deficit was donated by the congregation.

The building is a modern church home. The auditorium is bright and cheerful and nicely finished; back of the gallery is a series of a dozen or more Sunday school rooms; ample provision is made for the big choir; and then there is provided for the real pillars of the church—the ever busy and enthusiastic women—a model kitchen and dining room. Quarters

for other purposes are also provided and all in all, our Methodist friends are certainly subjects of congratulation, and this The Tribune extends.

## ATTRACTIONS BOOKED FOR THE SEMI-CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Secretary Mooney, of the semi-centennial celebration, has signed contracts for the following attractions:

The World's Museum, ten shows, all different and all pronounced good.

Down in Dixie, a plantation show consisting of twenty colored performers. This comes highly endorsed.

The Golden West, representing the west in the early days of cowboys and miners, giving typical scenes of those days. Twenty girls in cowgirl costumes will give cabaret performances.

The Athletic show, where will be seen wrestling bouts open to all comers, scientific boxing, and demonstrations of physical culture.

Vaudeville show of eight different acts. This show has been booked direct from the Western Vaudeville Circuit and each performer is an artist.

In addition there will be a score or more of other forms of amusement, including an ocean wave, Ferris wheel and a three-abreast carry all.

500 ideas for graduation gifts. DIXON, the Jeweler.

The marriage bans of Miss Agnes Hanson, of this city and Patrick O'Connor, of Omaha, were announced for the first time in St. Patrick's church Sunday morning.

Owing to the High School class play being held in the Keith on Friday night it was found necessary to change the last installment of Patria to Thursday night when it will be shown in connection with the Douglas Fairbanks in "The American." If that isn't entertainment for you we would be at a loss to know how to go about it to provide an evening's entertainment.

Tonight's feature at the Keith will be Mary Pickford, the lovable, in a most delightful characterization of "Hulda from Holland." The story opens in Holland where little Hulda finds herself in sole charge of her three infant brothers, upon the death of her parents. Some of the richest comedy Miss Pickford has ever displayed upon the screen is that which takes place with her little brothers Heinie, Hans and little Jacob. In her distress she is as irresistible as ever but in her funny Dutch way she develops a philosophical attitude towards the harsh things of this world which robs the scenes of all their bitterness.

## MRS. A. O. KOCKEN PASSES AWAY THIS MORNING

Mrs. Christine Kocken, wife of A. O. Kocken, passed away at five o'clock this morning following several months of illness due to heart and stomach trouble. The end had been anticipated for several days and as the earthly dawn broke she folded her arms and with a smile of recognition to the assembled relatives and a smile of anticipation of the dawn of the life eternal, she passed away from those she loved and those who loved her. For forty-two years Mrs. Kocken had been a resident of North Platte; here she reared her children who have been a credit to her motherly care and teaching; a helpful companion to her husband; a consistent member of the Lutheran church since its first organization in North Platte.

Born in Sweden in 1842, and married in that country, she accompanied her husband to the United States in 1869 and located in Ohio. In 1875 she came to North Platte where they have since resided.

Bereft are the husband, daughters Mrs. S. W. VanDoran, Mrs. Lottie Cronin and Mrs. Ada Turpie of this city, Miss Margaret of Omaha, Miss Arta of Great Falls, Mont., and Mrs. Paulina Fetz of Hochelac, Col., son Walter of this city and son Will whose present address is unknown.

Funeral services will be held at the Lutheran church at 2:30 Thursday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Harman.

## Queen's Contest Vote.

Elva Day	1295
Blanche Fonda	775
Janet McDonald	545
Louise Ottenstein	540
Florence McKay	435
Hildegard Clinton	410
Sybil Gantt	300
Marie Beaven	310
Hazel Smith	340
Mabel Burke	300
Helen Waltemath	345
Elizabeth Hinman	275
Mayne Pizer	270
Hazel Barber	275
Catherine Hall	245
Myrtle Decker	235
Marie McCabe	235
Lucille Wilcox	235

A big assortment of nifty spring and summer dresses. Do not fail to see them. E. T. TRAMP & SONS.

The Methodist ladies will give a reception and kitchen and dining room shower at the Methodist church Wednesday afternoon. All Methodist ladies and visitors are cordially invited.

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HOLDS ANNUAL BANQUET

### SIXTY MEMBERS AND A SCORE OF LADIES ENJOY THE MENU

#### Officers Make Reports of the Past Year's Work and the Election of Five Directors Follows

The annual meeting of the Chamber of Commerce was held last evening in the basement of the Presbyterian church and the sixty members and the score of ladies present were served with a splendid dinner by the ladies of that church.

In the absence of President Thoelecke, J. J. Halligan, one of the directors, presided. Following the dinner a male quartette composed of Jim Clinton, Paul Harrington, Richmond Birge and Horton Manger gave several selections and following these the report of the treasurer was read, showing that during the year over \$5,000 had been paid into the membership and publicity funds, and that all but thirty dollars had been expended. Secretary Durbin gave a detailed account of the expenditure of the money received, and of the work which had been accomplished. The results were such that all members present seemed to be well satisfied.

The chairman stated that the meeting was open for the discussion of questions pertaining to the work of the club, but no one ventured to air his views. J. Q. Wilcox, M. J. Forbes, E. T. Kellier and I. L. Bare were called upon and made short addresses.

The chairman declared nominations for five directors in order and eight or ten names were proposed, and a ballot taken resulted in the election of R. C. Langford, N. E. Bukley, W. J. Hendy, R. D. Birge and Ira L. Bare. The hold over directors are B. M. Stackhouse, E. T. Tramp, H. M. Porter and Elmer Coates.

The directors will meet in a few days and elect a president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer.

## Great Western Men Here.

Manager Simmons, of the Great Western Sugar Co.'s factories in western Nebraska, four officials of the Denver headquarters office and Field Manager Gus Heldt, were in town the latter part of last week enroute to Hershey to look over the beet acreage in that section and presumably to investigate more thoroughly the possible site for a factory.

The people of the Hershey and O'Fallon sections seem quite confident that a factory will be erected in the vicinity of one of those places in 1918. Here's hoping that their confidence will not be shaken.

## Land Boom at Hershey

Reports that filtered down from Hershey yesterday indicate that on the prospects of becoming a sugar factory town real estate is booming in price and a number of sales have been made. Eighty acres of land south and west of the Methodist church sold for \$16,000, the purchasers being Scotts Bluff parties. One lot on the business street containing a small house sold for \$2,500, and four lots at the south end of the same street sold at fabulous prices for village lots. These lots are 50x140 feet each. It is said that other transfers are budding.

## Reuter Ranch Sold

N. L. Reuter sold his ranch in Arthur county the latter part of last week to Ben Dikeman, formerly of this county, for a consideration of \$105,000. This included about 450 head of cattle. The purchaser at once took possession of the property and Mr. Reuter will leave shortly for California to make his home. Mr. Dikeman owns a considerable body of land near the ranch he purchased, and with the cattle he acquired now has a herd of about 1200. He expects to ship about 400 head of steers this fall.

## Red Cross Meeting Today.

The local chapter of the Red Cross will meet in the Chamber of Commerce rest room in the Building & Loan building at two o'clock this afternoon to make arrangements for beginning a campaign for membership. All members and others are urged to be present at this meeting.

## The Zetta Zetta club will meet with Mrs. Inman Wednesday afternoon.

Wash Skirts—A complete assortment for you to select from. Made by the Princess people and made right, the very best tailoring. Material which is pre-shrunk, which means the garment will still fit after laundering. You cannot possibly be disappointed in these garments. E. T. TRAMP & SONS.

The Women's Relief Corps will present a flag to the Franklin school in the auditorium Wednesday, May 23d at 3:45. A short program will be given. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Now is the time to select the gift for the graduate friend. Our stock was never so complete.

## DIXON, the Jeweler.

A Mr. Nicholson, age forty-five, formerly of the Hupper ranch, was taken to the Pulver hospital a week ago and died Sunday evening. There are no relatives and interment will be made in the North Platte cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Lewis and son Andrew, who reside south of town, were injured in an automobile accident south of the bridge Sunday morning. They were returning home and collided with a car coming north. Andrew was thrown several feet and received a number of bruises on his head and neck.

## 1917 GRADUATION GIFTS 1917

We are displaying the largest assortment of articles suitable for gifts for the young lady or young gentleman graduate. It has been our pleasure to show.

Nothing so appropriate to give as a good piece of jewelry for it can be kept for many years and is a personal adornment.

May we have the pleasure of showing you? See DIXON, THE JEWELER.

## CITY AND COUNTY NEWS

George Bauer, of Omaha, visited this week with the Fitzpatrick family.

Mrs. J. W. Fitzpatrick had a slight operation performed on her eye Sunday.

Grover Hansen, of Fairbury, came last week to visit his aunt, Mrs. Thos. Baldoek for two weeks.

Jos. McGraw, of Grand Junction, Col., came last week to visit his mother Mrs. Johanna McGraw for ten days.

The Cemetery Improvement Association will meet this afternoon at 3 o'clock in the rest room in the Building & Loan building.

The balance of our suits and coats we are closing out at prices far below cost; now is your opportunity time. E. T. TRAMP & SONS.

The marriage of Miss Ruey Shaner and Norman Conneally of this city will take place at the home of the bride's parents in Maxwell Tuesday evening, May 29th.

Tom McGraw was arrested Sunday in an intoxicated condition and in the police court yesterday forenoon said he obtained the liquor from Charley Turner and Cyrus Nun. Informations against the two were filed yesterday afternoon and they will be given a hearing in the county court in a day or two.

All children who take part in the drill and exercises for the Cinderella ball will be charged fifty cents, half of which must be paid May 28th and half on June 4th. This payment, however, will admit them to the ball. The object of making the payment now is to guarantee that those who receive the instructions will be present to participate in the ball.

Claude Delaney returned Sunday from Tulsa, Okla., where he went in company with Ralph Starkey, Millard Hosler and Geo. Winkowitch to attend the state shooting tournament. Over 200 shooters were present, nearly all of whom shot ninety per cent and better. While there the boys were entertained by A. D. McDonell, former North Platte druggist, who has made a mint of money in the oil fields.

There are but few people who have read A. H. Wood's noted play, "Kick In." It will be shown at the Crystal tonight and on the screen it becomes one of the most absorbing motion picture dramas that was ever run through a projection machine. The interest never lags for a moment. "Kick In" is the story of a man whom circumstances made a crook but the right woman and her faith in him awakens a determination in him to go straight.

## CLASS PLAY

### Keith Theatre

## Friday, May 25.

# "The Professor's Love Story"

Tickets reservations at Box Office Thursday morning, May 24.



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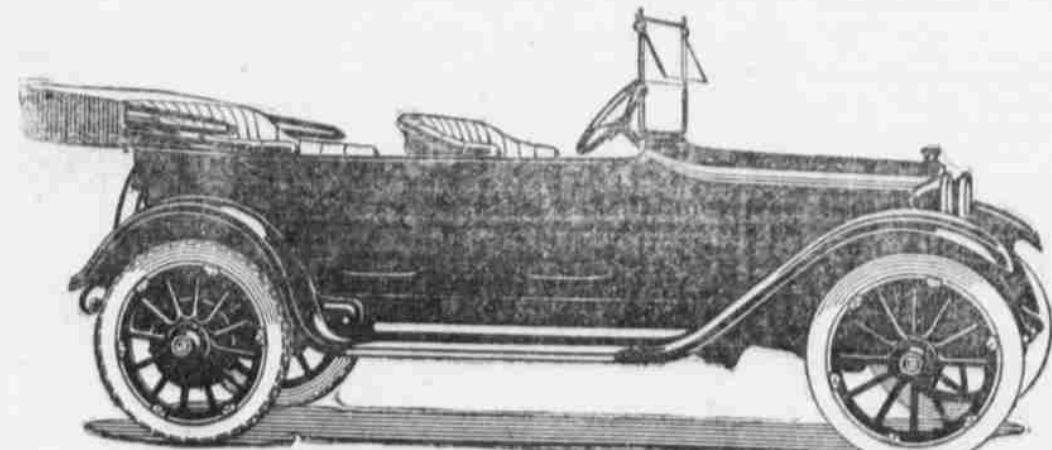
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