

DEFINITION OF A GOOD CITIZEN

A COMMUNICATION FROM MAYOR STREITZ.

North Platte, Nebr., March 1, 1921.
Editor Tribune:—
Here are my beliefs, take them for what they are worth.

THAT A GOOD CITIZEN, is one who attends caucuses and meetings, for the purpose of bringing out the best material for offices, and who votes at the primaries and general election, the first being the most important.

THAT A BETTER CITIZEN, is one who will, when urged by his friends, accept the nomination for office, lays aside the accumulation of all the dollars in town, and will devote a part of his time to the service of the people.

I have held the following offices, 3 years on the State Board of Pharmacy, 2 years Coroner, 3 years County Commissioner, 13 years Board of Education, 2 years Secretary of the Red Cross, 2 years Mayor, 24 years in all, and believe I have done my share. A salary went with most of these offices, sufficient to buy my cigars. (I am not a heavy smoker.)

I cannot understand the working of a man's mind, who will arise from a Banquet and immediately advertise to the world that every citizen is crooked. He is in the wrong club, and should be made a member of the Order of Dynamiters or the Poison Ivy Club.

IT IS NOT BECAUSE THEY ARE TOO BUSY, to spare an hour or two each day for the benefit of the public, that our best men refuse to take office.

It is because they do not want their names, which have become synonyms of integrity by years of probity and right living, dragged in the mire by human hyenas, who even trample on the dead, to gain their selfish ends.

THAT THE BEST CITIZEN, IS ONE WHO OBEYS THE LAWS; such as he clothes, but ALL the laws, and who also has a respect for constituted authority.

THAT THE PLACE to instill such obedience and respect, IS IN THE HOME, and if this were properly done there, the task of school teacher and peace officer would be lessened over 50 per cent.

The stream cannot rise higher than its source, neither is a city any better than the citizens that compose it; therefore each citizen is directly responsible for the condition of his town, if he individually DOES NOTHING to better it.

The Ancient Israelites, once a year piled their sins on a goat (scapegoat) and raised Cain for another year. This cannot be done in the 20th century, altho Many Think So.

We are individually responsible. Think it over.

A. F. STREITZ, Mayor.

PUBLIC WELFARE ASSOCIATION HAS THREE MAJOR ACTIVITIES NOW.

The monthly meeting of the Public Welfare Association was held at the City Library Monday evening at 8 p. m. The following activities were reported: PUBLIC SWIMMING POOL—Mr. VanCleave exhibited a sketch of a proposed bath house which it is planned to build on the new beach. He said he had made considerable progress to date in the matter and that it looked like we would be able to build a suitable structure for the coming season. SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE—The work of the Welfare Board in its efforts to secure funds for the Superintendent was explained and all but a final report was ready. COUNTY HOSPITAL—The bill is now before the State Legislature asking permission to sell some farm land belonging to Lincoln County and building a County Hospital at some centrally located place. This is a bill backed by the Welfare Association.

LINCOLN COUNTY HAS MORE FARM OWNERS THAN RENTERS

According to the 1920 report of the Nebraska Department of Agriculture, Lincoln County has 1,168 owners of farms which they occupy and which is just one-third of the land of the state. At the same time there were 509 renters on farms and 207 owners who were also renters. Two-thirds of the farm land of the state was occupied by tenants. Of the rented farms 288 were rented for cash, 556 for a share of the crop and 56 for part both. Lincoln County has a larger number of owners living on farms than is the rule for the state but falls below the average in the per cent of land farmed by the owners.

CAMPFIRE GIRLS' TAG WEEK IS DOING MUCH FOR THE GIRLS.

The guardians of the Campfire groups are commenting on the fine spirit that is being shown by the girls of each group in helping each other attain the goal of 10 tags for each girl. There is less rivalry and more co-operation being shown than was thought would be possible. The amount realized to date from the tag week cannot be determined because the girls fail to make reports as often as they might. The results however have not come up to what was expected for so worthy a cause.

STREET COMMISSIONER SALISBURY HAS RESIGNED.

Dissatisfied with the way certain people were criticizing his work and not in sympathy with the new system of parking W. B. Salisbury for a number of years street commissioner of this city resigned last week and his resignation was accepted. Mayor StreitZ says he will appoint no one to the place for the few weeks remaining before his term expires but will make one of the men of the force time keeper and get along without a street commissioner. The County Commissioners promptly elected Mr. Salisbury, Highway Commissioner for Lincoln County, and he has accepted.

LODGE, CHURCH AND SOCIETY

COMING MEETINGS IN THE VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS OF THE CITY.

ROYAL PURPLE
Degree conferred tonight by the Odd Fellows.

ENTERED APPRENTICE
At Masonic Hall, Saturday March 12 at 8 p. m.

UNIVERSITY CLUB
Will meet Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Littell.

LUTHERAN
11:00—"The One Perfect Example"
8:00—"Peter, the Impetuous."

BAPTIST
11:00—"Seeking Stray Sheep"
7:30—"What Think Ye of Christ?"

CHRISTIAN
11:00—"Taking Captivity Captive"
7:30—"Giving Sight to the Blind"

BRADFORD DIVISION
No. 200, G. I. A. of B. of L. E. will meet this afternoon at 2:30. Initiation and lunch.

AUTO SHOW
The North Platte Auto Show will be held in Durbin's Garage on April 7-8-9. Full announcements later.

PRESBYTERIAN
11:00—Choirs' program, Passion Music.
7:30—Evangelist.

DAIRYMEN
And farmers interested in dairying are called to meet in the Court House Saturday, March 12th at 2:30. Important business.

METHODIST
9:45—Sunday School
11:00—No services.
6:30—Epworth League.
7:30—No services.

EPISCOPAL
8:00—Holy Communion
11:00—Morning Prayer and Sermon
7:30—Evening Prayer and Sermon

TODAY AT THREE
Palestine Commandery will initiate three candidates. Order of the Red Cross and Order of Malta in the afternoon. Supper will be served at 6:30 and Order of the Temple will meet at 7:30.

Politics has not yet become a live topic in most circles although there is considerable speculation as to the attitude of some of the present officers in regard to re-election. Howard R. McMichael has his renomination papers on file as a candidate for Councilman in the Second Ward. Harold Langford has filed for Councilman in the Third Ward to contest for honors with Sanford Hartman. Carl Simon is a candidate in the First Ward. Frank Barber and Keith Neville have been nominated for members of the Board of Education. Petitions for each of the above have been filed with City Clerk Elder.

SCOUTMASTERS BEING TRAINED FOR SERVICE WITH OUR BOYS.

Loss of effort and the waste of time are the results of untrained Scoutmasters. The North Platte Local Council with foresight and wisdom has provided a course in training for its school leaders. The first course of this school has been completed. The improvement in the Local Scout program has been marked, even in the short time that these leaders have had to practice their new training.

More advancement is being made, more Troopmasters being organized, more interest is being shown than ever before in the history of North Platte Scouting and the worthy citizens of this city are ready to back these Scoutmasters to the last ditch.

The outstanding figure in the Scout movement is, of course, the boy, for whom the organization is designed to function. But back of the boy stands the man who trains the boy, in the person of the Scoutmaster—the greatest exponent of unselfish service in America today. An editorial in the Macon (Ga) Telegraph says:

Since February 8, 1910, men who have volunteered as Scoutmasters or Scout Leaders, have trained nearly two million boys in the marvelous course of development that has never been provided nor attempted by any other organization or institution. These men have given freely of their time, thought and effort, have put their very hearts and souls into the building of character, citizenship and efficiency in the boys who will be the city builders, the nation builders of the future. No greater service to America and humanity has been performed in the history of the Nation.

SECOND CLASS SCOUTS ARE BEING DEVELOPED RAPIDLY.

According to Local Council records, which are still incomplete, the following Scouts have completed all of their Second Class requirements. Other names will be added when reports are submitted by the various Scoutmasters.

The Second Class Scouts are: Francis Loudon, Henry Haner, Wilber Swanson, Emmet Moody, Cecil Barber, Donald MacKay, Louis Breternitz, Robert Dickey, Donald Russell, Fay Yearsley, all of Troop One and Lawrence Elder, Ewart Boyd, Carl Stenwall, all of Troop Four.

A special prize will be awarded to the Scout who first completes all requirements of the First Class test. Keen competition is expected to develop among these boys.

CARPENTERS' UNION ENDORSES WORK OF NORTH PLATTE WELFARE ASSOCIATION.

At a meeting of the Carpenters' Union held the fore part of the week the following resolution was adopted: North Platte, Nebr., March 8, 1921. We, the Carpenters and Joiners of America, Local No. 1200 of North Platte do hereby most heartily endorse the work and efforts of the North Platte Welfare Association and pledge our moral support in whatever way we can. (Signed by the Secretary, C. E. Carlson.)

NORTH PLATTE HIGH SCHOOL IS VICTORIOUS AT FIRST GAME OF TOURNAMENT.

A wire sent yesterday to the school spelled victory in the first game of the tournament at Lincoln. The first game with Fremont was won by a 15 to 8 score.

PIG CLUBS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

LINCOLN COUNTY FARM BUREAU SOON TO ORGANIZE CLUBS OVER THE COUNTY.

G. H. Kellogg, County Agent for Lincoln County, is planning on organizing as many Pig Clubs as possible among the boys and girls. In cooperation with County Supt. Aileen G. Cochran the bulletins telling of the work will be distributed to the rural schools of the county. These pig clubs are being organized over the whole state with the object of getting the boys and girls who are familiar with raising swine to have a definite responsibility in the ownership and care of pigs. It has also been found that the interest is increased by having the boys and girls organized into clubs which has a social as well as a business nature. Judging contests will be held and wherever possible a team should be selected from each club to take part in the contests at the County and State Fairs.

The Pig Club work will be divided into three projects. These are called The Purebred Pig project, the Sow and Litter project and the Market Hog project. Any boy or girl between the ages of 10 and 18 is eligible to membership in any club. The members are required to follow directions and fill out reports and awards will be made partly on the records and report.

When a club of at least five members has been organized with a local leader in charge and a set of officers and a definite program of work for the year has been decided upon the club is issued a Standard Club Charter by the State officers. It is expected that at least six meetings will be held during the club year, a local exhibit and at least one public demonstration will be given annually. At least 60% of the members must complete the project that a Seal of Achievement may be earned. This is the highest honor that can be earned by a club.

Mr. Kellogg is ready to take up the matter now with anyone interested and the Tribune would urge its readers to investigate this matter which has been such a success in other counties.

TWENTIETH CENTURY CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR.

Following is the result of the election of officers of the Twentieth Century Club: Mrs. W. C. Shelver, president; Mrs. M. E. Scott, vice-president; Mrs. Fred Rector, recording secretary; Mrs. W. A. Skinner, treasurer; Mrs. T. A. Brennan, corresponding secretary; Mrs. W. E. Starr, correspondent; Mrs. Wilson Tont and Mrs. Fred Rector, delegates to the district convention; Mrs. R. F. Cotterell and Mrs. Ollie Salisbury, alternate delegates.

A committee from the Twentieth Century Club will confer with the school authorities in regard to fire drills in the schools and fire protection in general. This is in conformity with a suggestion coming from headquarters asking the club to interest itself in this matter.

THE GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM LEAVES FOR LINCOLN.

The Senior High Girls' Basketball Team left yesterday noon for Lincoln where they will attend the tournament which is being held in that city and will play University Place Girls this afternoon at University Place.

Miss Lillian Storey, the girls' coach, and Superintendent C. L. Littell accompanied the team. The girls on the team are Margaret Edwards, Evelyn Wilcox, Helen Schwaiger, Elmira Brodbeck, Marjory Watkins, Doris Stevens and Helen Getty.

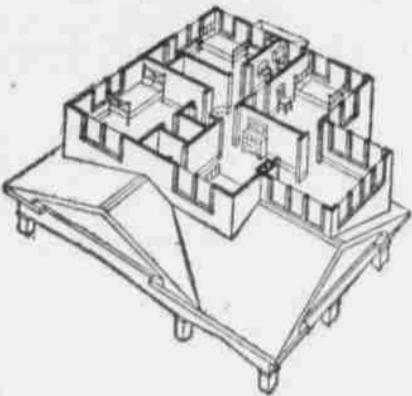
GUN CLUB TO CONTEST FOR BLACK DIAMOND TROPHY THIS SPRING.

The first leg of the Shoot of the Buffalo Bill Gun Club for the Black Diamond Trophy will be shot next Sunday at the club grounds east of the race tracks. Each shooter will try for fifty targets on each of four days, the winner to receive the trophy. Only members of the club can compete for this honor.

Mrs. Lenton who was shot here about two weeks ago by Victor Moss, died Tuesday night. The body was taken to Oklahoma for burial. Moss is improving according to reports.



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