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STUDIO HAS NEW OWNER

VANGRAVEN SELLS REMBRANDT
STUDIO TO MISSOURI
PHOTOGRAPHER

Mr. and Mrs. Parmerlee of Kansas City have bought the Rembrandt Studio and have taken possession. They have spent most of their business life in Kansas City although recently they have been in Colorado, doing work in different galleries there. This is the photograph gallery made famous by V. VonGoetz and which was sold to Mr. VanGraven last spring. Mr. VanGraven leased his Alliance studio but the man who took it turned it back and Mr. VanGraven decided to go back to Alliance and sell the North Platte place. Mr. Parmerlee saw his opportunity and took it. The name Rembrandt will be retained and the studio will be continued at the same location. When seen last night Mr. Parmerlee said he proposed to maintain the standard of the former proprietors and to improve where improvement can be made. "I believe there is a future for North Platte and that this studio can take its place with the best institutions of the city," was the opinion of Mr. Parmerlee. The Tribune extends its greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Parmerlee and assures them that even now North Platte is the best town in the state and welcomes any newcomers who move here to make this their home and who will help make North Platte better.

W. E. Lawrence of Paxton transacted business in the city Tuesday. Give thought to Christmas, Dixon, the Jeweler.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING SCHOOL IS EXPLAINED TO PATRONS OF SCHOOLS

A joint meeting of the Parent-Teacher associations Wednesday evening was held at the Franklin auditorium. The High school orchestra played several pieces at the opening and during the program the High School Girl's Glee club sang several songs. Both organizations were much enjoyed. Miss Loomis spoke of girls evening classes and Mr. Hartley on "Our Greater Responsibility." The addresses were good and explained the work that is being attempted by the vocational classes in other places. At the close of the program those present were served with coffee and doughnuts.

Word was received here yesterday telling of the death of Joe. Grace at Green River, Wyo. Mr. Grace was employed on the railroad there and was killed while on duty. He was at one time a resident of North Platte and worked on the railroad here. The body will be brought to this city for interment beside Mr. Grace's father and mother. Mrs. Wm. Richards of this city is an aunt of the deceased and Richard Grace of Omaha who arrived yesterday is a brother.

Yesterday afternoon a safety meeting was held in the conductors' room at the Union Pacific depot. This meeting was in charge of H. A. Adams, assistant to the general manager and in charge of safety work. A number of local employees were in attendance.

Atty James T. Keefe returned this morning from Omaha and Lincoln where he transacted legal business.

R. L. Cantlin returned this morning from Lincoln where he accompanied local prisoners to the penitentiary.

King Rhiley passed through the city this morning enroute from eastern points to his home in Oshkosh.

ABOUT PEOPLE AND THINGS

CURRENT COMMENT ABOUT PEOPLE
AND THE THINGS THEY
ARE DOING HERE.

Frank Smith, faculty manager of the basketball team announces today that the North Platte boys will meet Sidney at Sidney on February 25. This leaves but one open date, that of February 8.

At the regular weekly luncheon of the Rotary club, H. H. Newman presented the club with a beautiful gavel. It was his own handiwork and was made of maple, inlaid with walnut. The design is artistic and the workmanship of the best. Mr. Newman is in charge of the Manual Arts department of the city schools.

W. H. McDonald of the McDonald State bank, attended the meeting of bankers which was held at Omaha this week. The object of the session was the organization of a corporation to co-operate with the War Finance corporation in getting funds for the agricultural interests of this state. About 200 bankers were in attendance.

The North Platte Shrine club held its annual meeting at the Masonic Temple Monday evening of this week. The election of officers resulted as follows: J. Hirschfeld, president; Robert Dickey, vice president; Earl Stamp, secretary-treasurer. The plans for the coming year include a number of social functions, some of which the public will have the opportunity of sharing.

A little fire started the other day at the corner of the two story frame building next to the alley on Locust between Fifth and Sixth streets. The building owned by W. H. McDonald. The alarm was given and the fire boys arrived just as the flames were gaining some headway inside the siding. The fire was promptly extinguished. The next day Mr. McDonald sent his check for \$25 to the fire boys. Following is a copy of the letter they sent in acknowledging the check:

North Platte, Neb., Dec. 3, 1921.
Mr. W. H. McDonald,
Sir: We wish to thank you for the token of appreciation extended to us by your check amounting to \$25. We assure you and the citizens of our city promptness and our duty to the fire alarm at all times. Thanking you again, I remain, yours truly,
J. Southall, Secretary.

Several small fires have been reported recently, any of which might have become a big blaze but for the prompt response of the fire department. A blaze got started under the floor of the LeMaster repair shop and burned away some of the timbers but was extinguished with more damage from smoke than from burning. The roof of the old north side hose house, more recently known as the People's Mission, caught from some unknown cause and after a slight damage was extinguished. The siding of the two story building on Locust between Fifth and Sixth caught from some unknown cause and was slightly damaged. Some poles on the Union Pacific right of way were on fire and probably would have been a total loss but for the arrival of the department. These belonged to the Crawford-Backers Co. and were to be used in the construction of the transmission line to Hershey.

The work of driving the piling for the foundation of the new Lincoln County court house began yesterday. Almost 150 of these sixteen foot piles will be driven into the ground to support the foundation of the new building. The piling were pulled from the South Platte river last week and were found to be in excellent condition. They are of cedar and some can remember when they were driven into the river in 1872. Since that time they supported the south river bridge up to the time when the new concrete bridge was built. Then they were stripped of the cross pieces and left to stand there but when the county needed them they were found to be in as good shape as when they were put into the river 49 years ago. Judge Woodhurst says he can remember very well when the bridge was built over the South Platte and Will McDonald also remembers it very well.

Perhaps there are others who live here now who remember the building of the old wooden bridge across the South Platte.

There is a little piece of sentiment going the rounds of the state which is interesting to us. It has to do with the great seal of Nebraska. The seal is a form of heraldry which is attached to the official proclamations and other documents of the state. Formerly the seal of a people was the more respected on account of its age but it seems that the present generation, ashamed of those things which come down to us from the forefathers, is attempting to change the great seal of this state—a seal which was adopted when the state was admitted to the union. Here is the seal:



The motto, "Equality Before the Law" is the basis of our democracy and yet the G. A. R. had to make a strong showing in order to retain the motto in the new seal. The picture of the steamboat on the Missouri and the railroad train, emblematic of commerce, of the cabin of the settler and the sheaves of grain, standing for agriculture, the smith at the anvil, typifying labor and the natural resources as shown in the trees, grass and animals—all these spoke the hopes and ambitions of the pioneers who designed the seal. What can we substitute for this seal which will mean more to us than the memory of those who made this state what it is. Shall we blot out all trace of their efforts and substitute airplanes, jazz and blue-sky promoters for their predecessors on our great seal?

CUT SALARY OF EMPLOYEES

CITY OFFICIALS TALKING OF
EQUALIZING SALARIES OF
EMPLOYEES

A special committee of the city council has been appointed to revise the salary schedule of city employees and make changes that will equalize them. This committee made a preliminary report to the council on last Tuesday evening but on account of the absence of two of the members, the whole matter was postponed. It argued that the salaries were set at the time when men and women were scarce and labor was high and that now there is plenty of labor and that wages are lower and the city in debt. The employees say that they cannot make ends meet on a less salary than that which they are now receiving of other employers. They say that some of the employees are trained and skilled in the special work they do and that it will be impossible to fill their places with cheaper men. The councilmen say they must cut expenses and that some of the employees can stand a small cut at this time as living is cheaper than it was and that the city is paying more for certain kinds of service than is paid for the same service by other employers. Not all of the councilmen are agreed on the matter and they have not been unanimous as to the places where cuts shall be made nor as to the amount which shall be lopped off the present salaries. It is probable that the matter will be brought up again at the next meeting of the council.

Charles Weir returned to Omaha yesterday after spending a few days in the city.

SPANISH WAR VETERANS HOLD ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECT OFFICERS.

Harry E. Brown Camp No. 11, United Spanish War Veterans met last night at the usual place and elected the following officers for the coming year: A. E. Bell, commander; Tim O'Keefe, senior vice-commander; A. W. Brown, officer of the day; J. W. Rowland, officer of the guard; Robt. M. Weeks, trustee for three years; Andy Scharman trustee for two years.

SCOUTS PLAN JOINT HIKE TO THE SOUTH HILLS FOR ALL DAY SATURDAY.

Scout Executive Stephens has announced a joint hike of all scouts to start from the Franklin Auditorium at 9 o'clock Saturday morning. The scouts will line up by troops with the senior patrol leader in charge and assisted by the other patrol leaders and their assistants. The march will be southward where the day will be given for every scout who wishes to take the out-door tests in either the first or second class. The scouts will cook their own dinners. Troop committeemen and members of the local council are invited to go along on this hike.

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The first one hundred kids under 15 years of age buying a ticket for the matinee today to "Winners of the West" will get a cap free and also a free ticket to the next chapter on the following Friday.

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