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## THE DIAMOND RING CONTEST

### The Event Gradually Drawing to a Close--Who Will Wear It?

In another column appears an advertisement of John Nemetz, the Fairy ice cream and confection man, which will repay reading. Mr. Nemetz, who has been in business in this city for a number of years past, and whose cream and confections stand without a peer in the city, is making a great diamond ring contest sale. It will be on until the end of the month and everything in his line is being sacrificed regardless of former prices or of cost. He carries a superb line of candies and fruits, and on postal cards he has the largest and best assortment in the city. He has a full line of the celebrated pictures of the Olson Photograph company, something which is of peculiar interest to people in this city. For the postal cards he carries a fine line of albums, so that they may be saved and carefully filed away. On candies Mr. Nemetz does not take a back seat for anyone. His line is pure and can pass the pure food laws of Uncle Sam, the state of Nebraska, or anywhere else. In addition they are the very latest in confections, and his box candies are warranted to be superior to the imported brands, no matter how high they are advertised or where they are made. In addition to handling all these several lines, Mr. Nemetz is in the soda water business and his sodas and sundaes are without equal

in this city or elsewhere. The contest which he has been carrying on for several months for the handsome diamond ring and the silver set will close on September 30, and as the close draws near interest waxes. There is a spirited contest on and the question of who will wear the fine \$75 ring is in doubt. Mr. Nemetz is highly gratified at the interest taken in the contest, and notes that it is a great success. The contest is absolutely square and the prize will go to the young lady whose friends think enough of her to get out and hustle for her. That there are several who have such friends is evident from the good work being done and the quantity of goods which they are buying. In addition to getting full value for their money, these good hustlers are also securing a harvest of votes for their favorite contestant and one of the number on the 30th will have a substantial token of their regard in the shape of a fine ring. And it will be the 30th when the matter is decided, too, as before that time everyone will know that others are right behind and coming on fast. With every 5-cent purchase there is a vote given, and when you buy anything at Mr. Nemetz's great diamond ring contest closing sale be sure to secure your votes and cast them for your favorite in the contest.

#### Married at Havelock.

A very pretty but simple wedding took place at the Sharon church, east of Havelock, Thursday evening, September 9, when the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Cozier was united in marriage to Rev. Charles Cole of University Place. The church was tastily decorated with ivy and ferns.

Miss Maud Kendall sang "As the Dawn." Then the strains of the bridal chorus from Lohengrin, played by several musicians from the Theothanian society of University Place. The bride wore a pretty white lingerie gown and a white illusion veil and carried bride's roses. She was attended by her sister, Miss Vera Cozier, who was also in white and carried pink carnations. The best man was Edgar Wachel. The Rev. Dr. Buckner officiated. After the ceremony the Mendelssohn wedding march was played, and the party removed to the Cozier home, where a reception was tendered the newly married couple by about seventy-five guests. Rev. and Mrs. Cole are popular young people, both members of the Theo. society. Mrs. Cole was also president of the S. J. B. club, they being students of the Wesleyan university. The house was decorated in cut flowers. A very pretty corner draped with ivy and ferns and palm lilies attracted the guests, where fruze and wafers were served by two little girls, Agnes Aronson and Lillian Miller, dressed in dainty white. Among the out-of-town guests were Mrs. Moore and F. Cole, mother and brother of the groom; Mr. and Mrs. Hayworth, all of Aurora; Manota Perry of Plattsmouth, Mr. Mills of Gorden, and Mr. Hasman of Omaha. Many useful and beautiful presents were received.—Havelock Times.

#### Returns to Kansas City.

R. A. Bates, who came up from Kansas City Friday morning to look after some private business matters, returned to that city again the same evening. He and his wife both have entered the Minor hospital for treatment and both will be compelled to submit to an operation—R. A. for fistula and Mrs. Bates for tumor. The attendants give them every encouragement possible for a cure, but when one is placed on an operating table a person can never tell the final results, but it is either this or a lingering trouble for many years' duration. Both have looked at the matter bravely, and all their friends will await the results with great suspense and a hope that they will both return home to enjoy much better health than ever. The readers of the Journal will be kept posted as to their condition, with the hope

that we all may see their good-natured faces among us again as soon as possible.

#### Death of Rufus Taylor.

The Journal regrets to learn of the death of this estimable young man, who passed away at the home of his parents in Union on Thursday night. At the time Rufus was taken ill he was engaged as an operator in the general offices of the Missouri Pacific at Atchison, and came home to his parents, where he could receive that comfort which parents are only able to give their child. Rufus was just budding into manhood when the fatal malady, typhoid fever, attacked him, and was one of the most efficient telegraph operators on the Missouri Pacific system. It is very much regretted that such a brilliant young man should be called to his reward in the very prime of early manhood. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor of Union, and was highly respected and loved by all who knew him. To the grief-stricken parents the Journal extends its sincere and heartfelt sympathy in this the hour of their saddest bereavement. It is hard for them to lose their dear boy, who was their brightest star, but let them console themselves with the thought that God's will be done.

#### Can It Be True?

We very much regret that considerable complaint is raised over the cut-throat game some of the business men played on the strangers that visited Omaha during the Eagles' convention. The Journal does not want to believe all the charges preferred against Omaha, but how can we help it when people who reside within twenty miles of the metropolis say that excessive prices were charged for everything bought. There was no respecter of person in doing this work. People who have traded in Omaha for many years noticed the advance in prices, more so than strangers who never visited there before. The Journal regrets this because Omaha had become noted for its liberality in instances like the Eagles' convention. We regret it because Omaha is the metropolis of Nebraska, and the rising generation are being taught that it is the coming leading city of the great west. The business men of Omaha can ill afford to stand under these charges, when they are endeavoring to make its name so great. We hope that the most of these reports are incorrect, at least.

#### Apprentice Girls.

Wanted—Several apprentice girls at M. Fanger's millinery store.

#### IMPRESSIVE SERVICE.

##### Rev. J. H. Salsbury to Be Installed Next Tuesday Night.

The service of installation of Rev. J. H. Salsbury as pastor of the First Presbyterian church will occur Tuesday night, September 21, at 7:30. A number of visiting clergymen are to be present and participate in the exercises of the evening. Rev. W. W. Lawrence, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Lincoln and moderator of the Presbytery of Nebraska City will be present and preside, and propound the constitutional questions and preach the sermon of the evening. Rev. H. V. Comin, D. D., pastor of Westminster Presbyterian church of Lincoln, will give the charge to the pastor. Rev. L. D. Young, D. D., pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Beatrice, will give the charge to the people. Prof. G. S. Lanphere will sing a solo upon this occasion. The public is invited to be present and enjoy this special service with the people of the Presbyterian church.—Auburn Herald.

#### Resolutions of Respect.

Whereas, Death has again entered Cass camp No. 332, Modern Woodmen of America, and taken from our camp fire Neighbor Frank M. Svoboda.

In the death of Neighbor Svoboda this camp mourns the loss of one of its youngest members, who was always true to woodcraft and its great teachings. The entire community bows its head in memory to his magnificent young manhood. His father, brothers and sisters have lost a noble son and brother, who in life was always kind and patient. His many friends will miss his advice and counsel.

Resolved, That Cass camp No. 332 tender to the family and friends of Neighbor Svoboda its deepest and profound sympathy.

Be it further resolved, That the charter of our camp be draped in mourning for thirty days; that a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of this camp and one furnished the local newspapers for publication. That a copy be furnished the family of our late neighbor.

M. L. FREDERICK,  
JOSEPH PETERS,  
ALLEN J. BEESON,  
Committee.

#### Departs for Texas.

Charles D. Grimes, local reporter for the Journal, departed last night via Missouri Pacific for Fort Worth, Texas, for a week's visit with friends and will return one week from Sunday. Mr. Grimes was in the employ of the Rock Island Railway company at their headquarters in that city for several years, and while there formed some close friends whom he took a notion he would love to visit. Charley has been a faithful worker on his department of the Journal for a year and a half, and a little recreation will be of great benefit. The Journal wishes him a pleasant trip and a pleasant visit among his former associates. In Mr. Grimes' absence Judge Douglas will hold down the local department of the Journal.

#### Rush Is Batching It.

Mrs. R. O. Fellows and daughter, Laura D., leave today for Seattle and other points in the west. They will stop off at Sheridan, Wyo., for a short visit with an aged aunt of Mrs. Fellows' and will then probably go straight through to Seattle, where she has a cousin and many old friends. Returning they will take the southern route, stopping with old friends at American Falls, Salt Lake, Leadville and Denver. They will be gone for some time and the "old man" will try to exist on restaurant grub for that length of time—if his stomach holds out.—Northwest Post.

#### Sale of Farm.

Deputy Sheriff Manspeaker was making a sale of the north half of northeast quarter section 14, township 11, range 9, this morning. The property was sold on an execution issued on a judgment in favor of John Fisher against Louis Larsen in the sum of \$500. The land had been appraised at \$973, and was sold subject to the life estate of Maggie Larsen.

George Poissal returned to Omaha after spending Sunday with his family.

## EAGLES WEeping

### Large Numbers Feel Sympathetic Toward Their Retiring President.

Business was suspended temporarily in the grand aerie of the Eagles yesterday morning, when the delegates took a few minutes off to weep.

Half the convention was in tears. The occasion was an appreciation presentation of silverware made to the retiring president, B. J. Monaghan, by the state deputies, officers and members of the grand aerie.

President Monaghan's wife is ill at his home in Philadelphia. When he arose to express the gratitude that would be felt in his home, he broke down in tears and was unable to finish. Most of the delegates bowed their heads and wept with him.

Intrinsically the present represents a value of about \$500. It consists of 198 pieces of silver arranged in a handsome mahogany chest, lined with red plush and containing a gold plate on top on which was inscribed, "Presented to B. J. Monaghan by Members of Grand Aerie of Eagles, Omaha, September 18, 1909." The pieces and chest were manufactured under the direction of A. Mandelberg of Omaha.

Edward Hirsch of Baltimore made the presentation speech. He declared that the present was valuable, not because of its intrinsic worth, but because it testified to the love, fellowship and appreciation which the members bore toward their retiring president.

Immediately afterward a large bouquet of American Beauty roses was presented to President Monaghan as an appreciation from his office force of women stenographers.—World-Herald.

#### Visits Old Home.

A. Libershall of Marquette, Mich., visited with his father, John Libershall, last evening, departing for his home this morning. Mr. Libershall came as a delegate to the Eagle convention at Omaha. He was accompanied by his little son John. This is the last day of the great convention of the big birds, and Mr. Libershall desired to see the close. There was some talk of the executive officers and others awaiting over until Tuesday in order to greet President Taft, though this not yet decided.

#### Comrade Hiner Back.

Jesse Hiner, ex-soldier of '61, has just returned from Oskaloosa, Ia., where he has been attending the annual reunion of his old regiment. It does the old soldiers good to meet in these annual gatherings. Mr. Hiner reports a most excellent time, as nearly all of the old comrades were present. The colonel of this regiment was Hon. John F. Lacey, who has represented his district in congress very ably for a number of terms, and is now looking toward the senate.

#### Buys Property Here.

George R. Sayles, the accommodating agent of the Duff Grain company, has concluded that Plattsmouth is good enough for him, and has purchased and will occupy, after March 1 next, the fine residence formerly owned by George Born, in the Third ward.

Before Mr. Sayles moves in he will make some slight improvements in the property, putting in gas and other modern utilities.

#### Meets With Accident.

J. R. Denson had a slight misunderstanding last evening with a barrel of peaches which he was unloading from a wagon to a wheel barrow. He caught his thumb on a nail in the bottom of the barrel, and when the barrel alighted in the wheel barrow J. R.'s thumb was impaled on the nail. He did not wait to lift the barrel off, but pulled it right out, tearing quite a lot of flesh away with the nail. Jack carries the injured member quite carefully now.

#### With the Sick.

Victor Anderson does not improve as rapidly as his friends would like to see him do. Last evening he was not quite as well as previously.

Mrs. Charles Piper is quite sick with an attack of tonsillitis.

Miss Minnie Ploeger of Wintersteen hill, is suffering with an attack of tonsillitis, from which she is recovering very slowly.

#### Predict an Early Winter.

The chilly nights which have been settling down on this section for the past week have caused many of the old-timers to predict that there will be an early winter and that frost will soon come. The following table shows the dates upon which the weather bureau registered the first frost and according to this it will be but a few days when frost may reasonably be expected and still not be extraordinary early. That it means an early winter is hardly likely, as frost seems to come regardless of the commencement of winter, some years being early and some later, while the frost would run about the same date.

The table is as follows:  
1888—October 6.  
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1890—October 26.  
1891—October 7.  
1892—October 9.  
1893—September 25.  
1894—October 8.  
1895—September 30.  
1896—October 17.  
1897—October 19.  
1898—October 6.  
1899—September 29.  
1900—October 8.  
1901—September 17.  
1902—September 12.  
1903—September 16.  
1904—September 14.  
1905—October 11.  
1906—September 30.  
1907—October 8.  
1908—September 28.

#### Killed From Kick of Horse.

Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hendrickson, north of town, occurred an accident which was very sad indeed as it was the means of the death of their little eight-year-old son, Elmer. His older brother was leading the horse and in some way the little fellow got too close and the horse kicked him supposedly in the stomach, the older brother called and loving hands soon carried the little fellow to the house and summoned a physician. All was done that loving hands could do but the little fellow's spirit had gone home to the giver before the physician arrived.

Little Elmer was born in Sanders county, September 12, 1901, and died September 12, 1909, thus he passed away on his eighth birthday.

It is hard to part with these precious little ones, harder still when the summons comes without warning as in this case.

Little Elmer was a bright happy little fellow and his presence will be greatly missed in the home by those left to mourn his loss.

The funeral services were held from the home Tuesday afternoon and the burial was in Camp Creek cemetery. The family have the sympathy of this community in this sad hour but all point them to a higher power from hence must come the best comfort at this time.—Eagle Beacon.

#### Masonic Home Visitors.

The good people at the Masonic home yesterday received many visitors. Mrs. J. A. Hamilton, of Neola, Ia., called on Mrs. Rosa and her daughter, Geraldine; Mrs. L. M. Kieley of Omaha, was at the home and took Mrs. Parr home with her for a week; Mr. and Mrs. E. V. Leonard, of this city, called on the members of the Eastern Star, and presented some nice flowers to Mrs. Tom Morgan, who is quite sick, and not expected to survive long. W. H. Davidson and E. W. Bates, both of Springfield, Neb., were at the home to introduce Mrs. S. F. Sage, of Papillion, who expects to make her home here. She is one of the good old-fashioned sort, well liked by all.

#### Highly Appreciated.

Our friend, Claus Jess, brought to this office last Saturday a basket of the largest grapes we have ever seen grown in this county. He also brought along several mammoth pears, either one of which will weigh a pound. Both grapes and pears are just as fine as they look. This fruit was grown on Mr. Jess' farm, just south of the city, which he is now offering for sale. When such fruit can be raised on land we cannot see for the life of us why he wants to part with it. Here is an opportunity for some man who desires a small fruit and vegetable farm and wants to live close to town. The Journal highly appreciates Mr. Jess' gifts, and can assure him they were greatly enjoyed.

## FELONIOUS SHOOTING

### Col. G. V. Swearingen's Widow Being Swindled Causes Trouble.

Judge Ramsey returned Saturday evening from Sidney, Ia., where he had been all last week engaged in the defense of Mrs. C. M. Swearingen, charged with feloniously shooting at one R. S. Williams last April. Mrs. Swearingen is past 70 years old and for more than fifty years has resided in Sidney. She is the widow of Colonel G. V. Swearingen, who died some ten years ago. Colonel Swearingen was a millwright by trade, and some fifty years ago built a large grist and flour mill at Weeping Water, Cass county. For many years Colonel Swearingen and his wife were among the foremost, leading and most prominent citizens of Fremont county, Iowa. Mrs. Swearingen, in her girlhood, had received an exceptionally fine education in a college noted for its high character of that time. Naturally gifted with a strong intellect and with her superior education, united with an aggressive spirit for whatever she believed to be proper and right, she became and has been for many years a representative woman of Fremont county.

A considerable estate was left to her by her husband, including a valuable home in Sidney. The trouble which led to the shooting grew out of a trade of this Sidney home for land in Logan county, Kansas. She had never seen the land, but relied upon representations of its character made by the party with whom she traded her Sidney home. The land proved of little value, and on discovering the fraud attempted to secure an adjustment with the man who had defrauded her.

Last April they happened to meet one morning on a street in Sidney. She attempted to speak to the man, whose name was R. S. Williams, about a settlement, but he refused to have anything to do with her, and attempted to get away. She followed him a few steps when both, it seems, drew revolvers and the one she held was discharged, missing Williams and striking another man in the leg.

She was indicted by the grand jury for feloniously shooting at Williams. The trial commenced on last Wednesday morning, and was strongly contested, the celebrated attorney, Ed. Mitchell, assisting the county attorney. After a long fight in the jury room she was finally found guilty of assault with intent to do great bodily injury, which, under the Iowa law is only a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine or imprisonment in the county jail.

A motion for a new trial will be heard at Sidney next Saturday and Judge Ramsey is very hopeful that a new trial will be granted by Judge O. D. Wheeler of Council Bluffs, who presided at the trial. If a new trial is denied, the case will go to the Iowa supreme court.

Judge Ramsey says the case has excited great interest in Sidney and all over southwest Iowa. During the trial the court house was packed with men and women, many old pioneers who had known Mrs. Swearingen for more than fifty years being in attendance—a number coming long distances. The man alleged to have been feloniously shot at by Mrs. Swearingen was very prominent, having been county auditor of Fremont county for a number of years and also cashier of one of the principal Sidney banks for some time. Soon after the shooting he disposed of all his interests in Sidney and removed to Oklahoma, and was not present to testify at the trial.

#### At the Nehawka Fair.

Quite a delegation of Plattsmouth people attended the Nehawka fair yesterday as well as today. Those who have been in attendance speak very highly of the enterprise. The fair at Nehawka has become an annual fete, and in the past as this year has been a great success. The farmers and business men of that locality deserve commendation for their efforts in promoting a good, live agricultural display. There are no better farmers in the county than those who surround the village of Nehawka, and some of the best stock breeders in the county exhibit at their fair. The exhibition this year is fully up to their record in the past, both in produce and live stock.