

## COMMITTEE OF REDMEN START PROGRAM FOR FOURTH OF JULY

Event Promises to Be the Finest Celebration Ever Held in This Section of Nebraska

The committee having in charge the big celebration of the Red Men on July Fourth met last Saturday night at the Haymakers headquarters and took some important steps toward getting the movement under way. They took the steps toward having a grand parade on that day and also engaged a band and formulated a program in part for the occasion. The meeting was encouraging and a great deal of enthusiasm was manifested over the outlook. There is every prospect the celebration will be the most successful in years. The ferry was engaged for that day and it will be free to all from 8 o'clock in the morning until the last wagon crosses at night so that the good people of western Iowa can come and spend the day and have some fine time.

The matter of engaging the band came up among the first matters considered and it was decided to hire the M. W. A. band at the rate of \$4 per day provided there was to be no more than 20 pieces or a total of \$80 for the 20. The committee was unanimous on the subject of hiring a local band, although outside bands wanted to come at less money. The M. W. A. band is peculiarly a Plattsmouth institution and this celebration is to be a Plattsmouth and Cass county celebration. Therefore the committee decided that it was better policy to spend a little more money and get the music which the people want. This insures a fine band on that day. There is a possibility that other bands may be engaged in addition to this but the one big band is sure. Manager Holly of the band has assured the committee that the best musicians in this section will play in the band that day and it will put up an article of music hard to beat.

Messrs. Tulene will have their large, new patent merry-go-round put up on Saturday, July 2, and will run that day and Monday. They pay the committee \$25 for this privilege and which sum was agreed upon between the parties. The merry-go-round is one of the latest pattern and has all the modern improvements on it. It is of the Tulene Bros. make and a machine with their own improvements on it. Those who like this form of amusement will find it to be a dandy and right up to the minute.

The treasurer reported the sum of \$352 on hand with much more in sight and subscribed. This showing assures the committee of having the wherewithal to make a grand showing and it is all to go to the people of Plattsmouth, Cass county and western Iowa or in the territory in and around this city. The financial report was one of the encouraging reports to be heard and caused the members to realize that Plattsmouth and this vicinity wants a big, rip-roaring celebration.

The matter of base ball games came up again and the committee consisting of Messrs. Hinrichsen and Councilman Gravett was instructed to see Manager Brantner at their earliest opportunity and find out what was wanted or what the ball team was willing to do to secure games. The general disposition of the committee was to give the games good advertising provided the team wanted to do the right thing by the committee in the advertising line.

The children's committee had not yet prepared its program and could not say definitely what it would require to make the day a big time for the little ones, so it was given until the next meeting to report. This committee consists of Messrs. O. P. Monroe and Roy Taylor and they will have some attractions that will please the little folks and keep them busy for several hours.

Messrs. Hinrichsen and Grimes of the committee on boxing and wrestling reported that the wrestling match was a sure go and that two crackerjack wrestlers had been secured both of whom were confident of putting on a good stunt and both of whom were in training. Lee Fickler was one of the men and a number of others wanted in on it. The boxing contest had not yet reached the stage where the names of the competitors could be announced, although several wanted to go into this contest. The committee was allowed \$30 for the two contests.

This will be divided \$20 for the wrestling and \$10 for the boxing. The latter may be increased if the entries justify it. These matches are to be clean and manly and there will be no crooked work in connection with them. The boxing will be a boxing contest and not a prize fight or anything but a clean contest with good speedy boxers in the ring.

It was decided to have advertisements inserted in foreign daily papers for free attractions and concessions and the advertising committee was instructed to get busy along these lines.

It was decided to make an especial effort to interest fraternal societies of the city in the parade and to make the day one of fraternalism if possible. To this end Messrs. Luschny, Gravett, and Budig were made a committee to look after the matter. The committee expects to take up the matter with the several lodges and secure floats representing them. The Red Men will participate but will not be considered in awarding the prizes which are \$25 for the best float, \$15 for the second best and \$5 for the third best. This ought to interest the lodges and the merchants in the matter and there ought to be some mighty fine floats in line on that day. As a committee to interest the merchants and get them to make floats for the occasion, Messrs. John Nemetz, Frank E. Schlater and Thomas Walling were named. These are all live wires and should give the matter their attention with good results.

A committee consisting of Messrs. H. M. Soennichsen, Wm. Gravett and Charles Grimes was selected to look after speakers. In connection with this Mr. Gravett suggested securing L. J. Miles of Rockport, Mo., while it was suggested that invitations be extended to Judge Sutton and Hon. Hugh Meyer of Omaha, both of whom are prominent Red Men. This matter will be decided this week and the speakers announced at the next meeting. It is the idea of the committee to hold the speaking while the children's games are in progress so as to avoid the confusion usually incident to these out door gatherings. In the event of rain the Parmele theater will probably be secured.

The matter of concessions was taken up and it was the unanimous desire of the committee that all concessions which could be given to Plattsmouth and Cass county people be so awarded. It was also made emphatic that all concessions must be clean and moral and that no gambling or skin games be permitted. The attractions will be the best possible and worth seeing and any man, woman or child can attend and come away satisfied. The committee having this in charge consists of Messrs. McDaniel, Luschny and Grimes to whom applications for location must be made. One emphatic stand of the committee is that hamburger stands and such like stands must go to local concessionaries and that they will not be allowed to locate in front of the places of business of their competitors. This it is believed will meet with the approval of the public.

The free ferry matter came up on motion of Mr. Koubek and it was decided to close a contract with Jas. Ault for the use of the ferry from 8 o'clock in the morning until a late hour in the night or until all visitors had gone home. This insures the people of western Iowa that they can have a free road into the city and an easy and fine road all the way from their homes. The ferry will be at their disposal as long as they want to use it.

The matter of the ball at night was taken up and it will be held at Coates' hall. The M. W. A. orchestra was engaged and the intention is to make the affair a grand success. A. H. Koubek will have charge of the arrangements for this occasion and, as he has had much experience in this line, the dance will be a big success. Coates' hall has been engaged for the affair and a large crowd is expected to be present and have a good time.

It was decided to adjourn until

next Friday evening, June 17, when final preparations will be made and the arrangements made for advertising the monster affair. In the meantime the several committees will proceed to get busy and a great big celebration will be surely had this year. The people of western Iowa and eastern Nebraska are invited to come in swarms and droves and they are assured that the city will be theirs for the day. Invitations are especially extended to Red Men everywhere to come onto the reservation and whoop things up in good shape.

## THE SONS OF HERMAN PICNIC

A Fine Time at the Home of Mr. Chris Tschirren, Southwest of Town.

From Monday's Daily. The Sons of Herman, one of the largest and best of the fraternal orders of the city, gave their first picnic yesterday at the home of Chris Tschirren about three miles southwest of the city. There was a very large crowd present and a mighty fine time had. The members of the lodge went from this city to the handsome grove in carryalls during the morning and in the afternoon a large crowd estimated at several hundred was present. The place chosen for the picnic was an ideal one, it being in the handsome grove on the farm, the cool inviting recesses serving to make the day most enjoyable. Many who would have attended the picnic were deterred from so doing by the threatening appearance of the weather in the afternoon, a slight sprinkle in the city serving to keep many at home who otherwise would have swelled the crowd. As it was there were many present and the affair can be voted a complete success. No trouble occurred to mar the pleasure of the day and when the members returned to the city in the early evening, they did so feeling that they had had a delightful day.

A great many ladies were present which served to lend a softening influence to the day and all enjoyed the trip heartily. The Sons of Herman have long been noted for the open handed hospitality which they dispense and this delightful occasion was made a shining example of what could be done in that line. It is more than probable that a very large number of these picnics will be held during the coming summer and those who attend will find them very pleasant affairs. The attendance was limited to members of the order with their families and a few especially invited guests.

## Death of Captain McMaken.

From Monday's Daily. Capt. Andrew McMaken, mention of whose illness has been made at various times in the Journal, passed away yesterday afternoon. A telegram to this effect was received by his brother, Colonel Henry C. McMaken of this city. The death was not unexpected owing to the advanced age of the gentleman. At one time Capt. McMaken was a resident of this city, and he was very well known here. He was a splendid type of man, true hearted, brave and loyal, and he leaves behind him many warm personal friends to whom his death comes as a distinct loss. A full and complete history of the life of this esteemed man will be printed in the Journal within a few days.

Arrangements for the funeral have not yet been entirely completed, but they will be within a few days when due announcement will be made. At present the intention is to have the services conducted in this city by the members of McConihe Post, No. 45, G. A. R. The services will be held on next Wednesday afternoon, the remains arriving in this city in the morning from Atchison where the death occurred.

## Visits in the Country.

Michael Hild and family and Ward Clark and wife were visitors yesterday at the home of John Busche near Cedar Creek, driving out during the morning. They had a very enjoyable time and greatly appreciated the fine outing which they had. Mr. Busche has a very delightful summer home and he made his guests feel at home during their stay. They drove home in the early evening, the rain which threatened failing to materialize.

## I. O. O. F. HONOR DEPARTED ONES

A Deluge of Flowers Strewn on Graves by Committee.

From Monday's Daily. Platte Lodge No. 7, I. O. O. F. yesterday appropriately observed their Memorial day by services at their lodge room in the Odd Fellows block on lower Main street and by the strewing of flowers on the graves of the departed brethren in the morning by a committee for that purpose. The committee which visited the cemetery early in the morning consisted of Messrs. John P. Sattler, Frank McCarthy and H. C. Miller of the Odd Fellows and Mesdames William Holly and Bertha Petersen of the Rebekahs. This committee was deluged with flowers from the several lodges and the members and their work at the cemetery was well done, the graves of the departed being handsomely decorated and the flowers being strewn in profusion over the graves.

The services at the hall took place in the morning at 10 o'clock, there being a very large attendance of members. The services were in the hands of the lodge officers and consisted of the ceremonies as laid down in the ritual of the order. The chief address of the day was delivered by Judge A. J. Beeson and he paid a magnificent tribute to the departed brethren. Judge Beeson was in good voice and his oration is pronounced by those fortunate enough to hear it to have been a masterpiece. He was peculiarly at home when he spoke of the welfare of the order and referred to what it had done in its long life for the uplifting and the aiding of the poor and needy. His address met with the widest possible approval by all who heard him.

Honorable W. C. Ramsey, county attorney, was also called upon and gave a very eloquent and able speech upon the good of the order which was warmly appreciated. Mr. Ramsey dwelt at length upon the merits of the Odd Fellows which he extolled very highly and the many good things which the order had been doing in its existence. His speech was an able one and listened to with the closest attention. He spoke very ably upon what the future held for the order and made a number of very eloquent and earnest suggestions for the order's welfare.

On the whole the observation was a most appropriate one and was excellently carried out. It is proposed next year to have the occasion observed as of old with a procession to the cemetery and like services as of old.

## Observe Decoration Day.

Yesterday was the Memorial day of the A. O. U. W., and the Degree of Honor and there was a very handsome turnout of those organizations to observe the occasion. There was a very large procession from the A. O. U. W. temple to Oak Hill where exercises appropriate to the occasion were had. The procession was headed by the Plattsmouth Cornet Band and made an impressive and imposing appearance. At the cemetery the usual exercises incident to this sacred occasion was indulged in and the graves of the departed brothers and sisters duly strewn with flowers. The ladies of the Degree of Honor were escorted to the cemetery in carriages and carryalls while the men marched behind the band. The observance of the day was one of the best ever held in the city and great interest was taken in it by the members of the two lodges.

## Some Snake Story.

Marcus Furlong who was in town Saturday from his home near Rock Bluffs reports that a great deal of excitement was caused in his neighborhood a few days ago when Charley Lambert, employed by him discovered a monster snake coiled and ready to strike. Lambert was plowing when he made the discovery and he at once called on Mark to come to his aid as he had found "an immense rattler." Now, be it known to all men, Marcus is some snake hunter and he went after his snaklet in good shape. He rushed up to the volted and threatening monster, seized it by the tail and snapped its head off before Lambert could say "Jolly well done." It happened though that the snake was a bull snake and quite harmless but it gave Lambert a bad scare ten minutes before it was disposed of.

## Starts for Germany.

Miss Mabel Trussler who has been in the city for the past few days visiting with friends, departed last Saturday afternoon in company with Miss Verna Whistler of Lincoln, for Quebec, Canada, where they will sail on Friday of the week for an extended visit in Germany. They are making the journey with a party of about forty from this state and the trip will consume most of the summer. Miss Whistler was a former teacher in the Plattsmouth schools where her and Miss Trussler became warm friends.

## SEVERAL PRIZE PACKAGES DRAWN

In Judge Archers court This Morning of Usual Dimensions.

George Barr and Grover Ellege drew several prizes this morning in police court when they faced Judge Archer and tried to explain the cause of their fighting Saturday night. They had attended a dance during that evening and got themselves some worked up over various matters resulting in mixing it up, as the poet hath so appropriately phrased it. They battled back and forth much in the most approved Jeffries-Johnson manner and sought to reduce each other to the condition of scrap heaps but with indifferent success. The rioting spread to others it is said and merry hades seemed to move in and take immediate and complete possession of that end of the world much to the discomfort of the neighbors and others in the vicinity. The officers were called in to mediate the war and they swooped down on George and Grover and lodged them where the dogs couldn't get to them. This morning they tried to get Judge Archer to see the funny side of life and to convince him that warring was not nearly so heinous an offense as it appeared.

The judge is a man of rather peculiar views on such matters and seemed to be some peevish at this converting the moral city of Plattsmouth into the scene of bedlam and such, and he could not see wherein the law permitted such violent outbreaks. In consequent and because he invoked his celebrated brand of justice and mulcted each of the combatants to the tune of \$5 and costs. This is some money and assists largely in educating the youth of the land. Barr was some shy of cash but explained to the judge that he thought he could raise said wind by 4 of the clock this afternoon if he was given that time and the judge graciously granted his request. Ellege had said sum about his person and he loosened up a whole lot, paying toward supporting the schools with a nonchalance which was truly royal. He was then permitted to go his way filled with deep and sincere rejoicing and glad that this is so quiet and peaceable and happy a world.

## Death of Former Resident.

Word was received in this city this morning of the death at Omaha of Mrs. John L. Hobbs, one of the old settlers of this county, but who has lived in Omaha since about the year 1875. At the time of her death she had reached the age of 66 years. She was born at Lexington, Ky., in 1844, and came to this county in the early years of its existence, locating at Rock Bluffs. Her husband was well known here in the early days, being a son of former county treasurer Hobbs. A large number of people who knew the deceased will hear of her death with the deepest regret. The funeral of this estimable lady takes place this afternoon from the First Presbyterian church in Omaha. Fred Patterson county surveyor, who was well acquainted with deceased in her life time, will be among those attending the services, going there this afternoon.

Prof. Gamble and wife departed yesterday afternoon for northern Minnesota where they will spend the summer. Prof. Gamble needs a rest after the hard labor of his several years in the schools and it is the sincere wish of his many good friends here that this vacation will do him a world of good and that he will return in the fall in the best of health.

Perry Marsh is among the business visitors today in Omaha, having gone to that city on the morning train.

## CHILDREN'S DAY IS OBSERVED

Little Ones Give Splendid Program at Methodist Church

From Monday's Daily. Children's day was observed yesterday at the Methodist church by an unusually fine program, one that was very carefully prepared and duly observed. The program was under the immediate supervision of Mrs. Frank Gobelman and Miss Zelma Tney and too much credit cannot be given them for their effective work. The little folks did excellently in their several parts and the clever work which the ladies had done in preparing them, brought results. One unusual feature of the services was that the instructors of the little ones were never in evidence themselves on the stage. The entire program was carried out by means of signals cleverly arranged and which the little ones answered promptly, the ladies being in the background.

There was a very large attendance at the services, the church being crowded. The auditorium was found to be entirely inadequate to accommodate the crowd and the heavy curtain to the lecture room was rolled up, permitting this to be used to seat the multitude.

Even with the additional room a large number were compelled to stand and the seats throughout the rooms were all taken.

The church had been handsomely decorated for the occasion, the large auditorium being festooned with flowers both wild and tame, geraniums, ferns, wild grasses and all the many beauties of nature being called into play to make a delightful and handsome interior effect.

The platform was cleared for the little folks who were seated upon it in the form of a crescent. The little ones formed in line at the rear of the church and marched down the side aisles to the platform, passing in front of the chancel rail and taking their seats. Many of them were so small that they had to stand on the chair to be seen by the audience. This was particularly true of little Norris Smith who delivered the address of welcome. He mounted his chair and gave the congregation a speech which was worthy of even a man. It is needless to say he made a great big hit with all who were there and demonstrated that he is a bright little man.

Miss Hazel Tney presided at the piano and accompanied the little folks on that instrument while Misses Alice Tney and Clara Austin assisted as ushers. The collection which is used to defray the expenses of students for the ministry, was taken up by four little girls in white, the plate being handsomely decorated in flowers. The net results of the collection was very good. This money is loaned to ambitious students who study the ministry and they have it to pay back when they have completed their course.

The affair was a very charming and effective spectacle and one whose influence is both refining and elevating. They presented a grand sight as they were seated upon the platform and their influence is surely for the very best. This day is rapidly growing in favor the world over and the observation yesterday was one of the most appropriate held here in years.

## Nonsensical Proceedings.

A complaint was filed Saturday evening before Justice Archer by a Mrs. Wagner, living near Mynard, charging Robert Propat with using obscene language in the presence of a female, said female being Mrs. Wagner. The trouble grows out of a law suit which is dragging through the courts and which has resulted in considerable bad blood between the parties. According to Mrs. Wagner, Propat unloaded the vials of his wrath upon her several days ago and was not very choice in the language which he used. A warrant was issued for his apprehension and he will be arraigned in a few days. The offense which he is charged with illustrates the peculiarities of the laws of Nebraska. The punishment is a maximum fine of \$5 and costs and the justice sits as an examining magistrate and can only bind the defendant over for trial in any event. This makes the costs the principal end of the offense and is a nonsensical proceeding.