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## WILL NEBRASKA FOLLOW IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF HER SISTER STATES

The Legislature Should Not Hesitate One Moment in Appropriating Money to Advertise Resources of This Great State.

Whether the facts about Nebraska which must be published broadcast to attract investors and settlers are to be placed before the people interested in an intelligent and systematic manner during the next few years, seems now to depend on what the finance committee of the present legislature does with house roll No. 183. This is a bill by McKelvie of Lancaster to place \$25,000 in the hands of the state board of agriculture, which board is to create a bureau of publicity and immigration and hire a competent manager.

This movement was started by the State Association of Commercial Clubs and has the endorsement of sixty-five clubs in Nebraska, including the largest ones in the state.

Following this the commercial clubs secured the support of 112 Nebraska newspaper and the Nebraska Press association put its approval on the bill as an organization.

Then the real estate men of the state followed. The Omaha and Lincoln Ad clubs, composed of men who know the good results of systematic advertising, took the matter up and have been working to secure some such measure which would make Nebraska the equal of the states surrounding it.

This publicity and immigration bureau proposition seems to have friends enough, but in the mass of legislation pending seems to have been lost sight of for some reason.

The finance committee will be told what other states are doing. Missouri passed a similar bill two years ago, and when it was learned the funds were not available, Governor Hadley took the matter up with some big business interests and they considered it so important that the banks of St. Louis and Kansas City put up the money and the work was started.

### Get 19,000 Immigrants.

Minnesota has an immigration department, and just a year ago an Omaha publicity and promotion man-

ager was hired. As a result of an expenditure of \$12,000 more than 19,000 people were brought to the state of Minnesota. This is a known fact from keeping track of the household goods on the St. Paul transfer, and Governor Eberhart of Minnesota is now after an appropriation of \$50,000 per annum.

North Dakota has spent \$20,000 in the past two years and has secured 6,000 settlers as a direct result of the expenditure.

It is well known that Kansas spends from \$15,000 to \$20,000 per annum and is getting results.

Iowa business men are demanding \$100,000 for the same work and will raise about half of it by public subscription.

The finance committee will be told that west of Nebraska states are spending from \$25,000 per annum upward, and in California an assessment is made to enable each county to have \$10,000 for advertising and immigration work.

While the amount asked in Nebraska seems small in proportion to what other states are doing, the promoters and immigration agents who have been in the game of making states and cities known, say \$25,000 will be sufficient to organize the bureau, collect better agricultural and industrial statistics and put out some needed publications. The railroads of Nebraska have offered to take these facts when compiled by the new bureau, and give them tremendous circulation. The Union Pacific company now has the names of 125,000 inquirers about lands in the states along its lines and wants more about Nebraska.

It will be urged by those interested that the measure is no party issue, of benefit to no particular class, but one which will bring settlers to the state and attract the attention of investors promising everything from farmers with less than \$1,000 of personal wealth to men who will build the interurban railroads so much to be desired.

## FORMER CASS COUNTY GIRL MARRIED AT GRAND ISLAND

Much to the surprise of our citizens, Miss Adda Rockwell was married Wednesday, February 23, 1911, in Grand Island, to Mr. Joy Ripple, a young man who has been quite devoted to his attentions and a frequent visitor to Weeping Water. Miss Rockwell, as the Republican recently announced, departed for her home in Lamar, Neb., but it seems stopped at Grand Island to visit, and it was there that the notion took fast hold on them to become man and wife without delay.

The wedding took place at the M. H. parsonage and only a few witnessed the ceremony.

The bride expects to go home soon and make her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Rockwell, a visit and then return to Grand Island to reside. She has already become acquainted with so many of the people at Grand Island that she is very much attached to the city. While we know but little of the groom, he is a fine appearing young man and has a host of friends in the hope-to-become capital city of the state. The bride is a Cass county girl, and the family up to a year ago resided here, when they purchased land in Chase county. She is a refined, sensible young lady, educated for home duties and her every acquaintance here is a friend wishing them a joyous and prosperous married life.—Weeping Water Republican.

### Moving to the Country.

William Otterstein and family, who have been residing on Wintertown Hill for the past several years, were engaged in moving their household effects to the John Bergman farm near Mynard yesterday, at which place they expect to make their home for the coming year. Mr. Otterstein was a pleasant caller at this office this morning and asked us to continue sending him the daily, but to send it in the Mynard bundle, in order that he might keep posted on the daily happenings.

### Grandpa Graves.

We note from the World-Herald of this morning that Harry Graves of the Union Ledger is the happy father of a bouncing baby girl. The stork has been very kind to Harry in depositing at his home a daughter instead of a son. Attorney C. L. Graves, by the advent of the little lady, becomes grandpa, and it is our guess, when the news was first received, he ran to the rain barrel and yelled down into it with all his might, "Grandpa! Grandpa!" to hear how it would sound. May the little lady live long and always be happy.

## LAW PERTAINING TO GIFT ENTERPRISES NOT PASSED

Mr. R. M. Schlaes has been investigating the passage of the bill preventing the giving of prizes with tickets and the like and finds that the statement that the bill had passed and had been signed by the governor was a little premature. The bill has not yet passed the senate, and when it does pass, the probability is that there will be no emergency clause attached. Until such a law is passed and takes effect the manager of the Majestic will present each lady buying a ticket for the show on Tuesday evenings with a silver spoon identical with those heretofore presented to his lady visitors.

### Selish Legislation.

Few people are aware of the fact that some of the legislation that gets upon the statute books was put there out of personal spite. One law that may be found there seeks to make newspaper subscriptions uncollectable if the paper is sent after the time for which it was ordered, no matter whether the patrons receive it or not. Such a law would not likely stand the test of the courts, because it violates a fundamental principle of equity. It was fathered by a man who had had trouble with one of the editors in his home town over an overdue subscription account.

### Will Visit Friends in Iowa.

From Thursday's Daily. Last evening Miss Mildred Foreman of Salem, Iowa, who has for some time been visiting at the home of A. J. Ingram at Arvada, Wyoming, came in on the Burlington evening train and visited at the home of M. S. Briggs until the arrival of No. 10, the midnight train of the Burlington going east, when she continued her journey home. Miss Crete Briggs accompanied Miss Foreman as far as Chariton, Iowa, from whence she went to Indianola, Iowa, where she will visit with friends for some two weeks, and upon her return will be accompanied by her grandmother, Mrs. Joseph Ozbun, who will make an extended visit with her daughter, Mrs. M. S. Briggs, and family.

## HENRY STULL PASSES AWAY

Born and Reared in This County Where He Has Hosts of Sorrowing Friends.

From Thursday's Daily. After an illness of two weeks with pneumonia, Henry Stull died at his home, three miles north of this city, at near the hour of 2 o'clock this morning.

The deceased was born July 12, 1870, on the farm where he died, having lived all of his life within Cass county. His illness was due to a cold contracted in watching by the bedside of his aged mother, Mrs. Fred Stull, who is now past 75 years of age, and recently has been seriously ill.

About eighteen years ago Mr. Stull was married to Miss Sirena Taylor, and of this marriage six children survive, their names are: Sirena, Freddie, Nettie, Henry, Ray and Alva, the youngest being about 6 years of age. Mr. Stull's wife died over five years ago, and he was married a second time about four years ago to Miss Mattie Higley, who survives him.

The deceased is survived also by his aged mother, two brothers, Fred of Jennings, Louisiana, and J. Lawrence Stull of Plattsmouth, and two sisters, Agatha Stull of Spokane, Washington, and Mrs. Amelia Monroe of Plattsmouth.

The absent brother and sister were notified by wire early this morning and arrangements for the funeral and the day and hour, as well as the place of burial, will be announced after hearing from them.

Mr. Stull was an industrious, hard-working man, straightforward and honest in all his dealings, and, having grown to manhood in this vicinity, had a large circle of acquaintances in and about Plattsmouth, where he will be greatly missed.

## FAREWELL RECEPTION BY LOUISVILLE W. C. T. U.

A few days ago the ladies of the W. C. T. U. of Louisville gave a reception for their president and secretary, who are soon to leave the vicinity. Mrs. Miles, the president, goes to Fullerton, Neb., and the secretary, Mrs. Sumstrim, to the western part of the state. The farewell was held at the home of Mrs. Alloway, who was assisted in entertaining by her daughter, Myrtle. A very interesting program, consisting of instrumental and vocal solos and speeches by different members of the organization. It was Red Letter day and the program was turned over to Miss Shryock, the Red Letter day president. Luncheon was served and a general social hour enjoyed. During the course of the reception a set of silver fruit knives was presented to Mrs. Miles and a silver fruit spoon to Mrs. Sumstrim.

### Visiting at the Rosencrans Home.

Mrs. E. T. Hughes and daughter, Gretna, of Patte Center, Neb., are visiting their sister and auntie, Mrs. W. E. Rosencrans, for a few days. It will be remembered that some time ago Aunt Cora, after having visited at the Rosencrans home for a day was chaperoned to the depot by Rosey to take the train for Omaha. Fifteen minutes later she found that Omaha had either left for parts unknown or something else had happened, as the brakeman hollered, "Pacific Junction." After a few hours of peace and loneliness in the city she was able to catch another train to her destination.

## W. C. T. U. HOLD COUNTY INSTITUTE

Large Number Present and Most Interesting Meeting Held at the Methodist Church

From Friday's Daily.

The first County Institute of the present year was held in this city yesterday at the M. E. church. Several of the officers of other unions failed to be present on account of change of the date from last week, but some of them sent in their papers, which were read by Mrs. L. A. Moore, among which was an excellent paper by Mrs. Sunstrum of Louisville and one by Mrs. Dr. Butler of Weeping Water. Rev. Gade gave the morning invocation and a short but eloquent talk, which was highly appreciated by the unions, as he complimented them by saying that it did not interfere with the usefulness in church work, but added enthusiasm for reformatory measures. Mrs. Kerr gave a very pretty speech of welcome to the visitors, which was responded to by the county president, Mrs. Miles. Mrs. Stribling of Louisville read a paper on the L. T. L. and the necessity of commencing the education of the child at the cradle and on to the adult if he would secure good Christian temperance citizenship for the future, which was heartily endorsed by all. Mrs. Kirkpatrick of Nehawka then took the floor and rehearsed what had been already done and laid out the work for the coming convention in the fall. We must not forget the delightful service of our musical friend, W. A. Howard, who led the singing of temperance songs and sang several solos and one duet with Mrs. L. A. Moore, who presided at the piano.

After the closing of the morning session, with the benediction by the pastor, the ladies, all carrying baskets of good things, invited the entire audience to their headquarters at the home of Mrs. Jennie Schindknecht, where a delicious luncheon was served, with hot tea and coffee, and during the intermission before the afternoon session the ladies enjoyed a good visit with each other.

The most interesting topic of the afternoon was given by Miss Annie Hessel, well known and popular teacher in the city schools, on the methods used in teaching the little ones scientific temperance, having relation to health and morals and physiology in the higher grades for the purpose. Mrs. Kirkpatrick read a very witty paper called a handful of leaves, taking off the sterner sex in relation to her department of suffrage. Mrs. Vandercook followed in a more serious tone on her department of medical temperance and its effects on inheritance. Miss Margaret Thomas gave a very impressive reading about a railroad tragedy in consequence of the intoxicated engineer, and as each alternated with some good old fashioned singing of Mr. Howard, in which could be heard every word beside the music.

The afternoon passed all too quickly and it was supper time, but not before they had listened to a very able address by Rev. Austin, telling them what they should do before and after they had gained the right to vote.

The evening program was kindly donated by home talent, with which Plattsmouth is so bountifully supplied, and the members of the union are greatly indebted for the musical part contributed by Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Wescott, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Austin, Mrs. Mae Morgan, Mrs. Arthur Troop for her violin solo and several others whose names we failed to get. We owe obligations to Jessie and Marie Robertson, Mildred Cummins, Vest Douglass and Miss Maude Kuhney for their readings. The members of the unions thank you one and all for so kindly giving us so much pleasure. Rev. Ratcliffe offered the invocation and Rev. Austin pronounced the benediction at the afternoon session.

### With Edward Rynott & Co.

Earl Hassler, who graduated from the Creighton School of Pharmacy last week, has accepted a position as prescription clerk in the drug store of Edward Rynott & Co., starting in today. Mr. Hassler's many friends here will be pleased with the announcement that he is to remain in the city, and with his ability and genial disposition will undoubtedly make a success in his chosen profession.

### Goes to Chicago.

Councilman D. O. Dwyer departed this afternoon for Omaha, where he boarded the Northwestern for Chicago to look after some important business matters of a legal nature. Saturday night Mr. Dwyer will attend a banquet at the La Salle hotel, given to the alumni of the Northern Indiana normal college, of which Mr. Dwyer is a graduate. Mr. Dwyer attended a similar function ten years ago, when there were 500 sat down to the table, and he expects a much bigger attendance at the present affair.

## OSCAR HALSTROM PASSES AWAY

Is Cut Down in His Young Manhood by Pneumonia.

From Friday's Daily.

Oscar Halstrom, the 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Halstrom, residing on South Sixth street, died this afternoon about 1:30. The young man had only been sick a few days, first beginning to complain on last Saturday. It was supposed at first that he had a hard cold, but soon a physician was summoned, who pronounced the disease pneumonia. His condition was not considered dangerous until yesterday, since which time it grew steadily worse until the end came at the time above stated today.

He was a member of the Y. M. B. C. of the M. E. church and was at Sunday school one week ago last Sunday, and when taken sick last Sunday had started to Sunday school, but before reaching the church felt so badly that he returned to his home.

Oscar had been an employee of the Burlington for some time, working in the local shops. He was a clever young man, possessing a bright mind, apt in learning and remarkably intelligent. His disposition was kind and generous and he had acquired a large circle of young friends who will deeply mourn his untimely death.

Oscar is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. John Halstrom, one brother, Elmer Halstrom, and one sister, Alpha. The funeral will occur Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Methodist church.

## THE SOCIALIST MEETING VERY WELL ATTENDED

From Friday's Daily.

The socialistic meeting at Coates' hall last night was well attended by an enthusiastic audience. The orator of the evening, ex-Mayor John C. Chase of Haverhill, Mass., entertained and instructed his listeners for an hour and thirty minutes in a most pleasing manner.

The speaker of the evening was preceded by Mr. Charles Martin, who introduced Mr. Chase in a twenty-minute speech. Mr. Martin reviewed the conditions of the laboring people of the past and present and touched up the political parties which have shaped the policies of government, in "Charles'" own realistic fashion.

Mr. Chase was then introduced as a socialist who had been for two successive terms mayor of the city of Haverhill, a city of 40,000 population. Mr. Chase spoke on the "Philosophy of Socialism and Its Possibilities." The lecturer's manner of delivery was pleasing and he proved himself to be a strong reasoner, indulging in no abusive language, but appealed only to the sense of justice of his listeners.

At the close of the lecture a socialist local was organized with a membership of twenty-one names appended to the list, with a prospect of making it 100 within a very short time.

The only office chosen so far was Charles Martin to the office of secretary and treasurer. There will be another meeting one week from last night at the council chamber, and other announcements will be made later as to the further perfecting of the organization.

### Mrs. Joel Anderws Very Low.

Mr. William Barclay returned last evening from Friend, Neb., where he was called a few days ago by the critical illness of his mother, Mrs. Joel Andrews. The condition of the patient, on Mr. Barclay's departure from Friend yesterday, was not much changed and his mother was still very low and not expected to recover.

F. E. Doty went to Omaha on the morning train today, where he was called on business.

## PROSPECTS FOR WHEAT AND FRUIT

Many Are of the Opinion That the Prospects Are Very Bright for Both.

In spite of sundry pessimistic forecasts with reference to crop and fruit prospects, those who are in close touch with the situation throughout this section are feeling very sanguine. In speaking of the present condition, the Trade Review of Lincoln says:

During the last week there has been widespread rainfall throughout the entire territory west of the Missouri river, a rainfall that in the Dakotas became a heavy fall of snow. So far as Nebraska and Kansas are concerned the mid-winter storm was most welcome. For months there has been a deficiency in the rainfall and the protection of the great winter wheat crop demanded moisture. While for the crops to come nothing could be more propitious for the putting in of crops in the spring than the present rainfall that has put the ground in fine condition.

Winter wheat is going through now the time of seeding. Between this and the middle of March nothing but excessive heavy freezing can injure it. The more common danger of drought and high March winds has been wiped out by the heavy rainfall. If the March winds come they will find the ground so saturated that the roots of the crop will be protected and the moisture is sufficient to start the early spring growth even if rainfall does not follow for some weeks to come.

It is worth noting also that the largeness of the corn crop of the year greatly depends on the way it is planted and the conditions of the ground at the planting season. The work of preparing the corn ground will not be delayed at all this coming spring because of lack of moisture. The fruit crop, which has become an important factor in the annual production of Nebraska, has not as yet received any injury. The coldest weather that we have had the present winter has come at a time when fruit could stand it without injury.

## FRANK BOYD REMOVES TO ANAMOSA, IOWA

The Journal regrets to chronicle the departure of one of Plattsmouth's old-time and highly respected citizens, Frank Boyd and family, who have decided to make a change. Mr. Boyd has leased his residence property for a year and is loading a car with his household furniture and other personal property.

Mr. Boyd is moving to Anamosa, Iowa, where his son, Roy, has been employed in a garage for a year. Mr. Boyd and son have purchased the garage, which will be operated by Roy. Mrs. Boyd will reside in Anamosa and look after the house-keeping for her son, while Mr. Boyd will go to Arkansas and look up a real estate deal which he has been considering for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd have been residents of Plattsmouth for thirty years and have a large circle of friends in this vicinity who will be sorry to have them go away and will ever wish them success in their new home.

### As Much Your Fault as Ours.

Occasionally we are unable to give full particulars concerning some important occurrence and the oversight is not always the fault of the editors. When a marriage license is issued we can easily ascertain the fact from the county judge's records, but as to time and place of solemnizing the marriage we are quite often left in the dark. If our friends would take the time and pains to call us over the phone and impart the necessary information we would feel deeply grateful and the public would gain correct knowledge.

### In County Court.

Judge Beeson was engaged today in the hearing of a petition for the appointment of an administrator for the estate of the late Levi C. Pollard of Nehawka, who died about five years ago. Mrs. Pollard, the petitioner, was in court, represented by Attorney C. E. Tefft of Weeping Water. The estate is composed of a large amount of real estate in this and other counties in Nebraska. The court fixed the time of hearing claims at April 4 and October 4.