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THE PLATTSMOUTH SCHOOL BOARD HOLDS ITS REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING

H. N. Dovey Retires From the Board and Is Succeeded by John Lutz—Dr. A. Marshall Elected President, J. M. Roberts Vice-President and E. H. Wescott Secretary.

The first meeting of the new school board was had last night, Mr. H. N. Dovey going out and Mr. John Lutz assuming the duties of the office of school board member. The board was reorganized, Dr. Marshall was elected president, J. M. Roberts, vice president, and E. H. Wescott secretary.

The board decided to visit the Central building very soon and ascertain what is needed in the way of repairs, blackboards and fixtures and seats. Joseph Hadra, sr., was given the contract for removing the trees from the southeast corner of the campus, he to take the wood in payment for his labor. The work of removing the trees has already been commenced.

The monthly report of Superintendent Abbott was considered and important recommendations contained therein were adopted by the board in regard to installing new rooms in the Central building and the use of stereopticon views and lectures by way of instruction, as has been adopted in some of the eastern schools. The substance of the monthly report is as follows: Collections from tuitions, \$63.10, making the grand total for the year \$305.61.

The matter of assignment of teachers had been discussed with the teachers' committee, and the teachers re-assigned, practically all of the present corps to the rooms now taught by them. The changes in the personnel will be as follows: Crete Briggs, First ward; Miss Lumsden, Fourth ward, grades 1 and 2; Bess Edwards, Columbian, grades 4 and 5; Esther Larson, Central, grades 5 and 6; Pearl Staats, Central, grade 6; Miss Tvey, Central, grades 3 and 4.

In order to relieve the congested condition of the upper

grammar grades, Mr. Abbott recommended as follows: First, that all seventh and eighth grade pupils of the schools be congregated on the third floor of the Central building and that the departmental teaching be extended even farther than we now have it. Second, that room 5 be divided, making two such rooms, as there are immediately above it; that the west part, or room 6 be assigned to Miss Staats, with sixth grade pupils, and that the west part, or room 5, be assigned to Miss Larson, with fifth and sixth grade pupils.

In many of the eastern schools the stereopticon is used by the schools, and the superintendent believed he would have a fund that could be available to do something of the kind next year. Mr. Shlaes has been interviewed and has agreed to allow the use of one of his halls once a week from say 4 till 5:15, for the actual operating expense, or about \$2.50 for each afternoon. The superintendent has about 200 views of the Orient and Hawaii and could secure other people to come and talk to our children for the mere expense. The general plan would be for about twenty-five of these educational matinees to be furnished to the children free of all charge.

The following is the tabulation of attendance for the months of March and April: Total number of days attended by boys in March, 7,497; total days absent, 743; girls attended 7,808 days and were absent 810; there were 35 more girls enrolled for the month than boys; during April boys attended 7,920 days and were absent 470 days, while the girls for the same month attended 8,674 days and were absent 351 days, and during the month there were 42 more girls enrolled than boys.

superintendent that the circle work has been satisfactorily completed, the candidate will be required to take an examination in Colgrove's "The Teacher and the School." This examination will be given May 18.

B. F. Dill Assaulted.

From Tuesday's Daily.
B. F. Dill, a farmer and grain man of South Bend, was in the city today with a bandage on his head, interviewing the county attorney relative to a criminal prosecution against a South Bend citizen.

Since the above was placed in type a complaint has been filed before Judge Archer charging one George Vogle with unlawfully making an assault upon the complainant, B. F. Dill, on the 6th day of May and him said Vogle did unlawfully wound and batter. Warrant was issued and placed in the hands of the sheriff directing him to arrest the said Vogle and have him before the court there to give his reasons for thus violating the statutes.

Drives Up From Union.

From Tuesday's Daily.
A. Becker, one of the prosperous, progressive and up-to-date farmers and stock raisers from near Union, was in the city a few hours today, driving up from his home this morning to look after some county seat business. He was accompanied by Mrs. James Allison, who is also making her home in Union. While here Mr. Becker paid this office a brief call, renewing his subscription to the Journal. We believe that Mr. Becker has one of the finest improved stock farms in Cass county, and when we say that he is successful in his line of work we know whereof we speak.

J. E. McDaniel is having the fronts of his saloon building and ware room given a new coat of paint. Tom Mahoney is the artist behind the brush and is doing a fine piece of work.

Applies for Change of Venue.

From Tuesday's Daily.
County Attorney C. H. Taylor returned from Papillion last evening, where he had been to submit a motion to the court asking for a change of venue in the Louisville bridge case, which has been tried and reversed by the supreme court more than once. If the change is granted the case will probably come to this county for trial.

A. L. BUZELL DIES AT CORNING, IOWA

A Former Citizen of Plattsmouth Passes Away at the Home of His Daughter.

From Tuesday's Daily.
Ed Lutz is in receipt of a card from Mrs. Clark of Corning, Iowa, under date of May 6th, stating that her father, A. L. Buzell, died at 11:15 a. m. that date. The remains arrived in Plattsmouth this afternoon and the funeral will occur from the Christian church at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning. Rev. Zink will conduct the service. The deceased was for years a resident of this city and an employe of the Burlington shops in the carpentry department. He leaves surviving two daughters, Mrs. Edith Clark of Corning, Iowa, and Mrs. A. E. Todd of near Plattsmouth, and one son, Oliver, who is master mechanic of the railway shops at San Bernardino, California. Mr. Buzell had been making his home during the past winter with his daughter, Mrs. Edith Clark, and had he lived and his health permitted, he would have returned to this county and resided with Mrs. Todd during the summer.

Glenwood Beats Plattsmouth.

The Glenwood High school baseball team won its third game of the season Saturday by defeating Plattsmouth on the grounds here by a score of 7 to 2. The game was well attended, showing the support being accorded the team is indicative of the Glenwood spirit.

In the sixth inning neither team scored; Morgan for Glenwood and Schlater for Plattsmouth pitching fine ball. In the sixth Plattsmouth put two over by several clever plays. Glenwood retaliated by nipping one. In the seventh Plattsmouth failed, and did the same thing in the eighth, while Glenwood added four in the seventh and in the eighth put down two more. Plattsmouth rolled in another in the ninth; the Glenwood players refraining from batting.

Morgan's pitching for Glenwood was a feature. Without trying to accumulate selfish honors, he fanned thirteen Plattsmouth mosquito killers, while Schlater of Plattsmouth covered himself with glory by making nine of our barrel stave artists bite the dust. Reeves caught his usual good game for Glenwood, M. Arries doing the backstop work for the boys from over the river. The score: Platts . . . 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 1—3
Glenwood 0 0 0 0 0 4 2 *—7
—Glenwood Tribune.

Teaching History.

Recently there was a meeting of more than forty of the history teachers of the state held in Omaha. It was the first convention of the kind ever held in this state. No doubt the object is a good one and will be an intellectual treat for the teachers. But the News would suggest that ancient history be dropped and Nebraska considered. There is a great deal about this state yet to be learned and would be of more importance than Greek history and Greek paintings. The Phoenicians are not to be considered with aborigines of the Platte. If these historians would confine their discussions to the history of Nebraska it would be much more beneficial for future generations. —Nebraska City News.

Pleasure Boating.

J. E. Mason has his pleasure motor boat in readiness for service on the Missouri river and all parties who wish a pleasure ride will please call on Mr. Mason. Where there are a number in the party a fee of 25c each will be charged.

Supply and Demand.

The best notion is that which is grouped about a salient and easily recognizable fact. One of the most interesting tales that we have recently read outlined the success that came to an alert business man by reason of his recognition of the fact that there are a considerable number of buyers of goods that prefer to pay more than the market price because they can afford to do so, that it gives them a sort of distinction. This principle is really at the bottom of the present high price level, although other elements enter into the problem. The presence in the market of buyers who don't care what the price is so the article is what they want has its effect on prices, and the refusal of so many to buy cheaper foodstuffs and the like, even though they are wholesome and palatable, makes for a waste that is made good by the increased price for what is purchased. Most prices, especially of goods that must be quickly moved, follow the law of supply and demand, and if people would refuse to purchase goods when the sellers, taking advantage of supply being short in the face of the usual demand, advance prices, they could soon command the situation. Sad experience has convinced many persons that they can really do without a good many things they thought they could not before reverse came. Demand is under the control of the buyers, and with wisdom they can make it match supply at will.—Lincoln News.

Saloon Fight at Greenwood.

From Tuesday's Daily.
According to advices received from Greenwood a warm fight is on in that village to determine whether it shall have a saloon the coming year. At the election on April 4 the citizens decided for a wet town under the referendum and petition ordinance by a vote of 61 to 38. John E. Schulling and A. D. Walton, the two pro-license adherents, were re-elected to the board of village trustees. The hold-over trustees, Frank Nichols, Dr. N. D. Talcott and Watson Howard, refused to vote to grant the license, and Chairman Howard said he would refuse to sign any license granted. Henry H. Weidemann of Greenwood, who is an applicant for the saloon license, began mandamus proceedings Friday to compel the dry members of the Greenwood village board to appear before District Judge H. D. Travis and show cause why they should not grant the saloon license in accordance with the referendum vote. Summons were today served on Trustees Talcott, Nichols and Howard to appear Wednesday before Judge Travis at Papillion.

Operated on for Appendicitis.

From Tuesday's Daily.
John Meisinger, jr., and wife, accompanied by Mr. Meisinger's father, Jacob Meisinger, went to Omaha yesterday, where John Meisinger, jr., entered St. Joseph's hospital and will undergo an operation this morning for appendicitis. Jacob Meisinger and his son, G. P. Meisinger, went to Omaha again this morning with Dr. Cummings to be with John, jr., while the operation is being performed. He has been troubled with the disease for some months, but thought he could pull through without an operation, but has now concluded he had better submit to the knife while he has strength to endure it.

To Extend Corporation Limits.

A movement is being made to extend the corporate limits of Union, which, if carried out, will materially improve the condition of the village. Many improvements are under way, such as new cement walks and crossings, grading streets and keeping them floated and dragged following each rain. Besides, a number of new buildings are in prospect of erection. In the past few years Union has made many permanent and substantial improvements, the old frame buildings having been replaced by brick and all occupied by prosperous merchants and business men.

Visiting cards, invitations, programs, and all other kinds of fancy printing done at the Journal office.

THE MATTER OF JESSE BLUNT AGAINST THE C. B. & Q. RAILROAD COMPANY

This Suit is for \$15,000, and Was Removed From this County to the Federal Court on Motion of the Defendant, and Case Came Up for Trial in Lincoln Monday—Matthew Gering, of this City, Representing the Plaintiff.

The case brought two and a half years ago in the district court of this county by Jesse F. Blunt against the C. B. & Q. Railway company for \$15,000 damages, and on motion of the defendant removed to the federal court, came up for trial Monday at Lincoln. The case was filed in September, 1909, and in October of the same year taken to the federal court, and only reached for trial this week. The plaintiff is and was represented by M. Gering, and the company by Halleck F. Rose, John E. Kelly and Byron Clark, and will be warmly contested, the trial probably lasting three or four days. Several witnesses went to Lincoln this morning to testify in the case.

Plaintiff alleges in his petition that on the 21st day of March, 1908, he was employed by the C. B. & Q. Railway company as fireman, and at McCook, on that day, while in the regular course of his employment, and at the time of the accident resulting in his injury, he was taking sand from the sand bin, when the company's en-

gineer suddenly and without warning, moved the engine upon which he was firing, throwing him to the ground, a distance of twelve feet, wounding and lacerating his left knee, so that he has been permanently injured, and incapacitated from earning a livelihood. He expended about \$100 in doctors' bills, besides the pain endured; the damage to plaintiff and the sum for which he prays judgment is \$15,000.

Mr. Gering and his client went to Lincoln Monday, and the first case on the docket of the federal court taken up Tuesday morning was Mr. Blunt's case. The jury was empaneled yesterday forenoon and considerable evidence introduced yesterday.

The plaintiff, in 1910, brought suit against the Burlington Relief association for the same injury for \$10,000 in the county court of this county, and recovered a judgment for \$315. This case was appealed to the district court by the defendant and is pending in the supreme court. The outcome of the suit in the federal court will be watched for with interest.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHORT TERMED

Recodifying Commission Holds These Officials Have Cut Terms Too Short.

The reports come from Lincoln that county commissioners in this state have for the past six years allowed themselves to lose one year of office solely because of the fact that they have not understood the workings of the law under which they have been elected. Leastwise that is what the recodifying commissioner members believe. The official body created by an act of the last legislature has been looking up the matter for some time past and Jefferson Broady, chairman, has given out the essence of the commissioner's conclusion in the matter.

There are diverging provisions of the law relating to the election of the county officials, but the only view of the matter that the commissioners, who are readjusting the statutes, can arrive at is that the occupants of these offices have been concluding their terms with three years, when they might just as well have stayed in office four years.

The latest expression of the legislature on the subject was in 1905, when the term of county commissioners was set at four years in the biennial election law passed that year. Later the state supreme court found that phase of the law unconstitutional, but the other phase of the law relating to the term of county commissioners, according to the recodifying commission, still holds and is operative among the counties of the state where the commissioner system is in vogue. Another measure also passed at that session of the legislature fixed the terms of commissioners at four years. Both the latter law and the biennial elections law were fathered by C. J. Warner of this county, and E. B. Perry, now a district judge in western Nebraska.

The voiding then of the biennial election law in no wise could be construed as a voiding of the law fixing the terms of county commissioners at four years. This separate law was the latest enactment of the legislature upon that subject, and is still binding upon these officials over the state. Reasons for its misunderstanding are many and various, but it is understood by Chairman Broady of the commission that the example followed in Douglas county of holding only three-year

terms blazed the way for county boards all over the state.

Subscription List Grows.

The committee appointed by the baseball boys Monday night were out yesterday a little while and have over \$100 subscribed to the enterprise. Let everyone get ready to respond liberally when the committee calls. Considerable funds will be necessary to fit up the ground and erect an amphitheater. The following amounts have already been subscribed:

J. L. Russell, \$25; Ed Egenberger, \$15; J. E. McDaniel, \$15; F. Gohelman, \$5; H. N. Dovey, \$5; R. A. Bates, \$5; Ed Schulhof, \$5; Wescott's Sons, \$3; M. G. Herold, \$2.50; E. G. Dovey, \$1; Joe Fetzer, \$1; A. J. Snyder, \$1; J. P. Perry, \$1; F. G. Fricke, \$1; G. E. Dovey, \$1; Weyrich & Hadra, \$1; Lorenz Brothers, \$1; R. Hampton, J. J. Decker, J. Kazel, G. H. Cline, C. R. Burdick, L. F. Trimpe, 50 cents each; Ward Clark, \$1; J. E. Mason, \$1. As additional names are secured they will be added from time to time.

Improvements Going On.

The building occupied by the Hampton & Decker dry cleaning establishment is being overhauled and will be thoroughly renovated, the woodwork painted and the walls and ceiling papered. The doorway, which had been arranged for a garage, has been changed back to its former position and the usual doorway replaced. John Weyrich is doing the carpenter work. The front is being painted, and our friends, Hampton & Decker, are congratulating themselves on having a building for their business as good as new.

The Morgan building, occupied by A. M. Arries' billiard hall, has been given a new coat of paint. Tom Stokes is the artist who decorated it and caused it to take on the appearance of a new building.

Visits His Old Home.

From Tuesday's Daily.
D. B. Ebersole and sons, David and George, departed for Omaha this afternoon, where they expected to take the Milwaukee road for Chicago and from there go to Mr. Ebersole's old home at Middletown, Pennsylvania. It has been twenty-three years since Mr. Ebersole left his native city for the west, and he has not been back since. He anticipates a pleasant visit with his brothers and sisters and uncles and aunts, of whom he has many. He has recently been in the hospital, and while not strong enough for work, thought it a good time to make a visit to his old home.

FIRST EXAMINATION FOR STATE CERTIFICATES

First Examinations for City State Certificates Will Be Held May 17 and 18.

The state superintendent of public instruction has issued a letter of instruction to the county and city superintendents, under date of May 1, 1912, stating that the first examination for city state certificates will be given May 17 and 18. This examination will be under the supervision of the county superintendent, and will be conducted in the same manner as the exams for county and state certificates. The fee will be one dollar, the same as required for state certificates.

Information concerning the exams can be had from the county superintendent. There are two lists of subjects, the academic (List A), and professional (List B). The program for the examination is as follows:

- List A (Academic Subjects).
Friday Forenoon.
Chemistry, General History.
Friday Afternoon.
English Literature, Plane Trigonometry, Zoology.
Saturday Forenoon.
Geology, Physical Geography.
Saturday Afternoon.
Psychology, Rhetoric.
- List B (Professional Subjects).
Saturday Forenoon.
Child Study, History of Education, Industrial Education, Moral Education.
Saturday Afternoon.
Psychology, School Hygiene, School Management, Theory of Education.

One requirement for the re-issuance of first and second grade city certificates is the completion of the reading circle work for the year just closing. If the candidate fails to produce a certificate from the county or city