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THE AVOCA BOOSTERS COME TO PLATTSMOUTH ALMOST ONE HUNDRED STRONG

Boosting For I. O. O. F. Picnic to Be Held There on Thursday August 1—Bring Band and Glee Club With Them and Entertain Plattsmouth People for an Hour—Our Citizens Gave Them a Cordial Greeting

From Tuesday's Daily.

Between seventy-five and one hundred Avoca citizens were in the city yesterday afternoon, having motored some seventy-five miles through western Otoe and Cass counties, arriving in Plattsmouth about 3:30 p. m. There were sixteen automobiles left Avoca yesterday morning to make a booster trip for the I. O. O. F. picnic, which is an annual affair at the beautiful little city of Avoca. The procession was led by Joseph Zimmerer, a popular and prominent business man of their town, who left the party at this place to take the train for Grand Island, where he went as a delegate to the democratic state convention.

The party was made up of ministers, teachers, merchants, retired farmers, all boosting for one project, that of the big picnic to be held in the grove near their town August 1, for one day. There were automobiles in the procession owned by the following gentlemen, who were driving them: Gus Mohr, H. Wulf, John Busche, C. Hinze, Fred Westlake, Fred Bartell, Herman Behrens, John Schmidt, W. Hinze, Sam Johnson, Pete Jorgensen, J. Corbin and four others whose names we could not ascertain.

The party left Avoca early in the morning, having aboard a brass band and ladies' glee club, besides a committee with tags bearing the date and place of the picnic, and motored to Berlin,

Dunbar, Syracuse, Unadilla and Elmwood, where the party dined. In the afternoon the party made Ayo, Murdock, Greenwood, Manley, Louisville and Plattsmouth by 3:30 o'clock.

In this city the party tarried long enough to give their machines a drink of water, the band played some fine selections, while the tag committee did its work on the unsuspecting citizens of the county seat. The glee club sang some beautiful and original selections, the lines being composed by the ladies themselves. This is what they sang: (Tune—"Why Don't You Try?")

"If you think that you will listen While we tell you why we're here, If you think that you would like us, Well, just come to the picnic there. Making pleasure will be our stronghold; You will learn so by and by, If you think that you will join us, Then won't you try? Then won't you try?"

About 4:30 John Busche took the place of Joe Zimmerer at the head of the procession and sounded the honk, honk signal to start on the homeward jaunt. The party had Murray, Union, Nehawka and Weeping Water to make and then to their home city. The party was an enthusiastic bunch of boosters and if their picnic is not well attended it will not be because it was not well advertised.

RURAL SCHOOL AS A SOCIAL CENTER

Miss Edith Lathrop Believes Return Must Be Made to the Old Custom.

From Wednesday's Daily.

Declaring that the lawful heritage of our 12,000,000 rural school children is to have provided for them educational privileges equal to those provided for boys and girls in the cities, Miss Edith Lathrop, county superintendent of Clay county, Nebraska, in giving her observations in rural schools at the university convocation Monday morning, said that the "back number in our great educational field is the rural school."

The two factors, the county superintendent and the teacher, which count for most in the promotion of the rural school, are in a large measure, she said, lacking in scholarship and efficiency. Insufficiency in clerk hire and inadequate salary were prime causes cited by the speaker for the present conditions. With the betterment of these and the removal of the office from politics, she predicted, would come the incentive to call to rural school supervision men and women who are leaders in the educational field.

Not all of the work in the rural schools has been neglected and on the whole the conditions are better than they were a decade ago. In her visits to the rural schools of her county, she said, she had noted much improvement in conditions. Teachers now have normal training and there is now a course of study prescribed for rural schools, supervision by the superintendent is more complete and better wages are being paid. Old buildings are being replaced by new ones that are scientifically heated and lighted and better ventilating systems are being installed.

But if the rural school is to again revive it must become a

social center as it was formerly, she declared. Movements in this direction have been started in the township spelling contests and the patron's day. In Nebraska, however, little has been done with the centralized school.

MISS PYRTLE IN CONVENTION WORK

From Wednesday's Daily.

The teachers attending the institute who are interested in primary or industrial work will derive inspiration and benefit from Miss E. Ruth Pyrtle, who is principal of the McKinley building at Lincoln. Miss Pyrtle is an enthusiast in methods, having tested every method which she advocates before the teachers, she will bring to the work in this institute only those practical plans in both the primary and industrial lines. She is twice a graduate of Nebraska State university and to her scholastic training she has added all that is new and practical in drawing out the minds of the little folks, and she will impart the same to the teaching force of this county when brought in contact with her. Miss Pyrtle is considered one of the leading primary educators of Nebraska, and all those in this county who are engaged in teaching the young idea how to shoot may well congratulate themselves on the golden opportunity afforded by the coming institute to learn something of the methods of so successful a teacher as Miss Pyrtle.

- * Summer Wash Goods are
 - * all in our Summer Clearance
 - * Sale. 48c Flaxons at 12 1/2c.
 - * Tissues worth 25c at 15c.
 - * 12 1/2c and 15c Lawns at 8c.
 - * E. G. DOVEY & SON.
- Miss Anette Fanger is in the city, the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Zueker.

Automobile Killed Bull Pup.

Byron Golden lost his fine Boston bull pup yesterday afternoon, when a chauffeur driving a large touring car ran his canine down and mashed the life out of it. The pup was playing with Mr. Shlaes' Boston bulldog in the middle of the street when the farmer ran onto them. Mr. Shlaes' pup had a narrow escape, but got clear of the wheels, while the dog belonging to Byron was slaughtered. It was a valuable dog and highly prized by its owner.

KITCHEN SHOWER IN HONOR OF MISS CRABILL

About Forty-five Friends Attend the Event at the Home of Mr. E. C. Hill.

From Tuesday's Daily.

At the residence of Mr. E. C. Hill, at the corner of Ninth and Pearl streets, one evening last week, the Standard-Bearers of the Methodist church, in honor of the approaching nuptials of Miss Etha Crabill and Mr. G. W. Brooks, gave Miss Crabill a kitchen shower, which was a great success.

Mrs. Hill was assisted in receiving the guests of the evening by her cousin, Miss Snodgrass, a quaint lady from the rural districts, who, by the way, was very anxious to become acquainted with the Standard-Bearers, and at her request was introduced to each one. The rooms were beautifully decorated with pink and green colors, and as a symbol and take-off on the downpour a large umbrella, decorated with the colors of the order, was raised in the parlor and the guest of honor permitted to rest beneath its ample shelter, while the packages of useful kitchen furniture was brought in by the bearers and opened by Miss Crabill amid pleasant remarks by the onlookers.

A mock marriage was put on, the mock bridegroom and bride, in costume, declined to give their names; but the ceremony was solemn and impressive, performed by Rev. Miss What's-Her-Name, who insisted on using the ring form of ceremony. An informal program, readings, vocal music and a few other stunts added to the amusement of Miss Snodgrass, as well as the Standard-Bearers. Punch, ice cream and cake were served. Between thirty and forty of the membership and their friends were present and spent a most enjoyable evening. We understand that Miss Snodgrass is still in the city, and, like the Twentieth Century Carnival, declines to go away.

SECURES JUDGMENT FOR FULL AMOUNT SUED

In Justice Archer's court yesterday William Cleghorn recovered a judgment against William Erwin. Both plaintiff and defendant reside at Louisville. The amount in controversy was \$152.77. Eighty-three dollars of the amount was evidenced by a note, while the balance, the evidence showed, had been advanced by plaintiff for defendant at the rate of \$1.70 per month to pay his lodge dues, in an order of which plaintiff was secretary of the local lodge and defendant a member. The defendant did not dispute the account, hence the court did not find it difficult to arrive at a finding for the plaintiff, and judgment accordingly for the full amount prayed for.

GOES TO EUROPE SOON.

Miss Eda Marquardt of Avoca will depart Thursday for New York, where she will visit for a few days, and on August 15 will sail for Europe to be gone a year. Miss Marquardt will study German for a year at Berlin. Her sister, Miss Selma, will accompany her as far as Chicago. Next summer Miss Selma will join her sister in Berlin, and together they will tour the continent.

FOR SALE.

New comb honey. J. M. Young, Plattsmouth.

INCREASED VALUATION MAY END IN HIGHER RATES

Managers Take Hope From the Results So Far Obtained in Appraising Property.

From Tuesday's Daily.

"It has lately become not improbable that eventually the railroads will be allowed to make some important rate advances through what until quite recently would have been regarded as easily the most unlikely influence, a physical valuation," says the Iron Trade Review. "Enough has been done by way of valuation to suggest that a complete showing would be much more favorable to the railroads than has hitherto been assumed. In several states, partial valuations have been made in a spirit which can be regarded on the whole as unfavorable to the railroads, and these valuations have in nearly every instance proved high, compared with the expectations."

"Constantly the railroads have been expecting that eventually they would be allowed to raise rates, their feeling being that there was an era of reductions which finally would yield to the necessities of the case, but month after month the record is that of every hundred rate changes passing through the commission, only about one is an advance. Perhaps, after all, it will ultimately be found that a physical valuation will be the means of bringing about rate advances."

"Whatever the relation ten years ago, or at present, between actual value of the railroads and the securities issued against the properties, there can hardly be any question that the improvements of the past decade have tended to improve that relation. There has been much improvement in properties which has not been attended by a corresponding increase in capitalization. In the substitution of heavy for light steel rails, in the steady supplanting of wooden cars by steel cars and in many other respects the railroad properties have been improved, year by year, beyond the increase in capitalization standing against them. In the older days, of course, it was different. When a road got into financial difficulties, it made securities instead of improvements, but in recent years the trend has been toward the position in which a physical valuation would place the railroads in a better light."

Cut the Weeds.

I hereby wish to call the attention of all farmers in Road District No. 27 that according to the new law, they are compelled to cut the weeds along their road or the same will be cut by the road overseer and charged up in taxes to land adjacent. Also, that all weeds must be cut on or before August 15th, or I will be compelled to comply with the law.

Walter Byers, Overseer. 7-29-12wky

JIM SAGE HAS TUSSEL WITH A MULE

From Tuesday's Daily.

James Sage had some rather exciting experience last evening with a 3-year-old mule which has only recently been broken to work. Mr. Sage went into the barn behind the mule, and as the passageway was quite narrow between the kicking end of the mule and the side of the barn, he slapped it on the rump and said, "gedap." Mr. Mule took this as a declaration of war and immediately began to let drive with its sharp hoofs peppering Mr. Sage's person. The mule was so close that it could not get a full swing of its athletic limbs, but it was lively and rained in the kicks at a rapid rate. It did not take James long to get enough of the encounter, as he was in a corner where he could not get away. He called for help, and Mrs. Sage heard him and went to his rescue. She secured a 2x4 timber and got a pry on the mule so that James could get out of the corner. The effects of the blows on Mr. Sage's person left his skin black and blue. He was able to be on the street this morning.

In County Court.

Judge Beeson was busy this morning with a hearing on a petition for the appointment of a general guardian for Mary S. Wolfe. A number of parties were present in the court room, among them were J. C. Wolfe of Alvo, Attorney S. B. Inms of Lincoln and Duane Wolfe of Smith Center, Kansas.

The State Fair.

The horse and cattle exhibits for the coming Nebraska State Fair, September 2 to 6, give promise for a show of record-breaking proportions. Already Superintendent R. M. Wolcott of Palmer reports the reservation of horse stalls greatly in excess of those made a year ago at this time, and Superintendent E. R. Danielson of Osceola says that cattle stalls are reserved daily.

Queen Quality Oxfords for ladies, the \$3.00 grade, at \$1.98.

E. G. DOVEY & SON.

Juno Marshall Doing Well.

Juno Marshall, who underwent an operation for appendicitis some days ago is doing nicely. Mrs. Marshall, who has been at her son's bedside almost constantly since the operation, came down Sunday afternoon and returned to Omaha on the fast mail today. The drainage tubes have not been removed from his side yet, but the patient is improving daily.

JUDGE TRAVIS TAKES THE MATTER UNDER ADVISEMENT

From Tuesday's Daily.

The court was engaged Saturday in hearing a motion to re-tax costs in the case of H. R. Gering vs. J. M. Leyda, which was decided in the supreme court at the present term in favor of defendant. The costs in the case which followed the judgment amounted to quite a sum, and a fee bill has been issued on request of defendant and levy made on plaintiff's property. On application of plaintiff to re-tax costs in the case, the court ordered the fee bill recalled. After hearing the evidence and arguments Saturday the court took the matter of re-taxing costs under advisement.

TO CELEBRATE HIS NINETY-SIXTH BIRTHDAY

From Tuesday's Daily.

W. T. Adams and son, Master Jacob, accompanied by Mr. Adams' sister, Mrs. Judge Maxwell, of Fremont, departed for Gallatin, Missouri, this morning to visit Mr. Adams' and Mrs. Maxwell's brother, Mr. William Adams, who will celebrate his ninety-sixth birthday tomorrow. Tomorrow is also the birthday of his grandnephew, Master Jacob Adams, who will celebrate his eleventh birthday tomorrow. William Adams was born July 31, 1816; eighty-five years later, on the same day and month, his grandnephew, Jacob Adams, was born. Mrs. Maxwell remarked that the two ought to run a foot-race tomorrow. Mr. Adams visited Plattsmouth about forty years ago.

CHANGE LOCATION OF SUNDAY SCHOOL PICNIC

From Wednesday's Daily.

The Methodist Sunday school picnic will be held in the Eikenberry grove, about half a mile south of the Burlington shops instead of the Schweinker grove as announced. The date remains the same, Friday, August 2. Those desiring to go are requested to meet at the church promptly at 9 o'clock. Bring a lunch, a napkin, a cup and a lemon. A good ball ground is available just across the road. Boys are asked to bring balls and bats. 7-31-12td.

First Tenant in New Building.

From Wednesday's Daily.

The Plattsmouth Water company is the first concern in the city to secure comfortable quarters in the new M. W. A. building, Mr. Burnie having closed a contract with the trustees whereby the company becomes the lesor of a suite of rooms next to the entrance to the hall on the east side. Mr. Burnie took possession yesterday, and when he gets his furniture arranged will have one of the swellest offices in the city. He is to be congratulated on his good fortune in getting in on the ground floor.

Enjoying Their Vacation.

The deputy clerk of the district court received a card from her father this morning, written at Frisco last Saturday, stating that the party were well and enjoying the sea breezes hugely. Mr. Robertson, wife and two daughters, Misses Blanche and Marie, are now on their way home and expect to arrive in Plattsmouth about August 15, as they will make several stops between the coast and this city.

DEATH OF JACOB H. HALDEMAN

For Many Years a Leading Lawyer and Citizen of This City.

From Wednesday's Daily.

After an illness of several months from rheumatism and heart complications, Jacob H. Haldeman, one of the leading citizens of this city, passed away at his home on North Fifth street about 2 o'clock this morning. For many years Mr. Haldeman was one of the leading lawyers of the Cass county bar, having an office in Weeping Water for a number of years. About sixteen years ago he moved to Plattsmouth and for a few years kept his law office open here, but later retired from the practice, devoting himself to his private loan business.

Joseph H. Haldeman was born about December 24, 1836. He was a member of a large family of brothers and sisters, who reside in Pennsylvania at this time. He acquired a good education in his youth and taught school and studied law, being admitted to practice soon after arriving at his majority. Mr. Haldeman came west when a young man and settled first in Kansas, where he practiced his profession. Later he went to Lincoln, Neb., and a little more than thirty years ago removed to Weeping Water, which at that time bore some promise of becoming the county seat. In 1896 he was married to Mrs. Amelia Weston and shortly after moved to their present dwelling in this city.

During the time of his active practice he was connected with some of the most important litigation pending in the courts at that time. It was said of him that he reversed the decision of the lower court oftener than any other member of the Cass county bar. He was a close student of the law and prepared his cases with care. The funeral service will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from his late residence, and will be conducted by Rev. L. W. Gade of the Presbyterian church.

Water Company Moved.

The Plattsmouth Water company has moved to their new quarters in the M. W. A. new building on Sixth street, the first door south of the main entrance. All patrons of the Water company will find them more comfortably located and they will be pleased to have all call at the new home.

Good Pasture.

\$1.00 per month. Horses or cattle; on Platte bottom at south end of wagon bridge. Good water.

T. H. Pollock.

Marshall, Dentist, Coates block.