

## K. AND L. OF S. CELEBRATE 17TH ANNIVERSARY

Large Number of the Membership Present and Entertainment Proved Most Enjoyable One.

From Friday's Daily.

Seventeen years ago the lodge of the Knights and Ladies of Security was organized in this city with a small and scattering membership, but it gave the charter members a thrill of pleasure last evening when they glanced over the crowded condition of the Woodman hall and realized what an advance that order had made in the time it has been in existence.

The committee that had been appointed to arrange for the celebration of the seventeenth anniversary of the order had prepared a program for the evening that proved one of the best that has been heard here for some time and embraced some of the local talent of the city and consisted of musical numbers and recitations.

Hon. S. B. Windham conducted the handling of the program in his usual pleasing manner, and introduced the different artists who had numbers on the program, which opened with a piano solo by Miss Emma Cummins, whose selection was fully up to her reputation as one of the leading musicians in the city, and her playing was perfect and was a delight to the audience, which demanded more of her delightful playing, and she gracefully responded with one of the late popular music hits, greatly pleasing everyone and demonstrating that she was master of the popular as well as the classic style of music.

To those who have heard Mrs. Allen J. Beeson in her readings it is unnecessary to say anything in praise of them, but last evening she was at her best in a comical reading and kept the auditors in a constant laugh, depicting the experiences of a country lady in a large city department store, which was one of the best comical selections that has been delivered in this city, and one in which Mrs. Beeson certainly showed her great ability as an elocutionist.

The members of the lodge felt that they had secured a feature of more than usual merit in the number furnished by Prof. Frank J. Kolbaba, and the brilliant manner in which that master of the violin played his selection demonstrated that he is one of the leading violinists in the state, and his selection was one of his own composition and one of the best violin solos that has been heard here. The professor is engaged in teaching violin in this city. He has quite a large class here and hopes to secure more in the future. The professor very generously donates his services at the different social gatherings in the city, which shows that he is desirous of giving the citizens the benefit of his splendid musical talents. This number was one of the best on the program and was warmly applauded by the audience, to which the professor responded by playing one of the old plantation melodies that are always pleasing to an American audience.

The next number on the program, a bass solo by Mr. Don C. York, was one that touched every heart, as the beautiful notes of Mr. York's powerful and sweet voice filled the hall, and it was with great regret that they heard the final notes die away, as a person could sit and listen for hours to this talented young man and then feel that they had not received enough of his delightful singing. Mr. York was accompanied by Miss Emma Cummins on the piano.

Miss Marguerite Shull had been secured for a vocal solo, and her number demonstrated that she is a young woman gifted with a truly wonderful and exceptionally sweet voice, and her numbers gave her voice a fine chance to

demonstrate its strength and clearness, and her selections received a hearty encore, and it is to be hoped that the music-loving public of the city will be given more frequent opportunities to hear this talented young woman. Miss Honor Seybert played the accompaniment for Miss Shull in a most finished manner and demonstrated her ability as a pianist.

Miss Marie Douglass favored the large audience with one of her recitations, and that it was fine hardly fails to express what most of the auditors thought of it, as Miss Douglass has a fine voice and her acting in the part was worthy of any actress on the stage, and the number was one that produced the laughter of the audience as she recited the story of a shop girl. Miss Douglass is one of the most talented young ladies in the city and the audience last evening felt that she had certainly a great future before her if she fully develops the wonderful talent she possesses.

After the program had been carried to a successful conclusion the members were invited to the dining room, where the ladies had prepared a most sumptuous repast for the Knights and their friends, and this was certainly one of the finest affairs of its kind given in the city, and in the line of preparing a dainty luncheon the members of the Knights and Ladies of Security can claim the highest honors.

The younger members of the lodge spent several hours in the enjoyment of a quiet social dance after the luncheon and the occasion will be one long remembered with great pleasure by all who attended as one where enjoyment reigned unrestrained.

## WILL TAKE THEIR DEPARTURE NEXT TUESDAY FOR NORTH DAKOTA

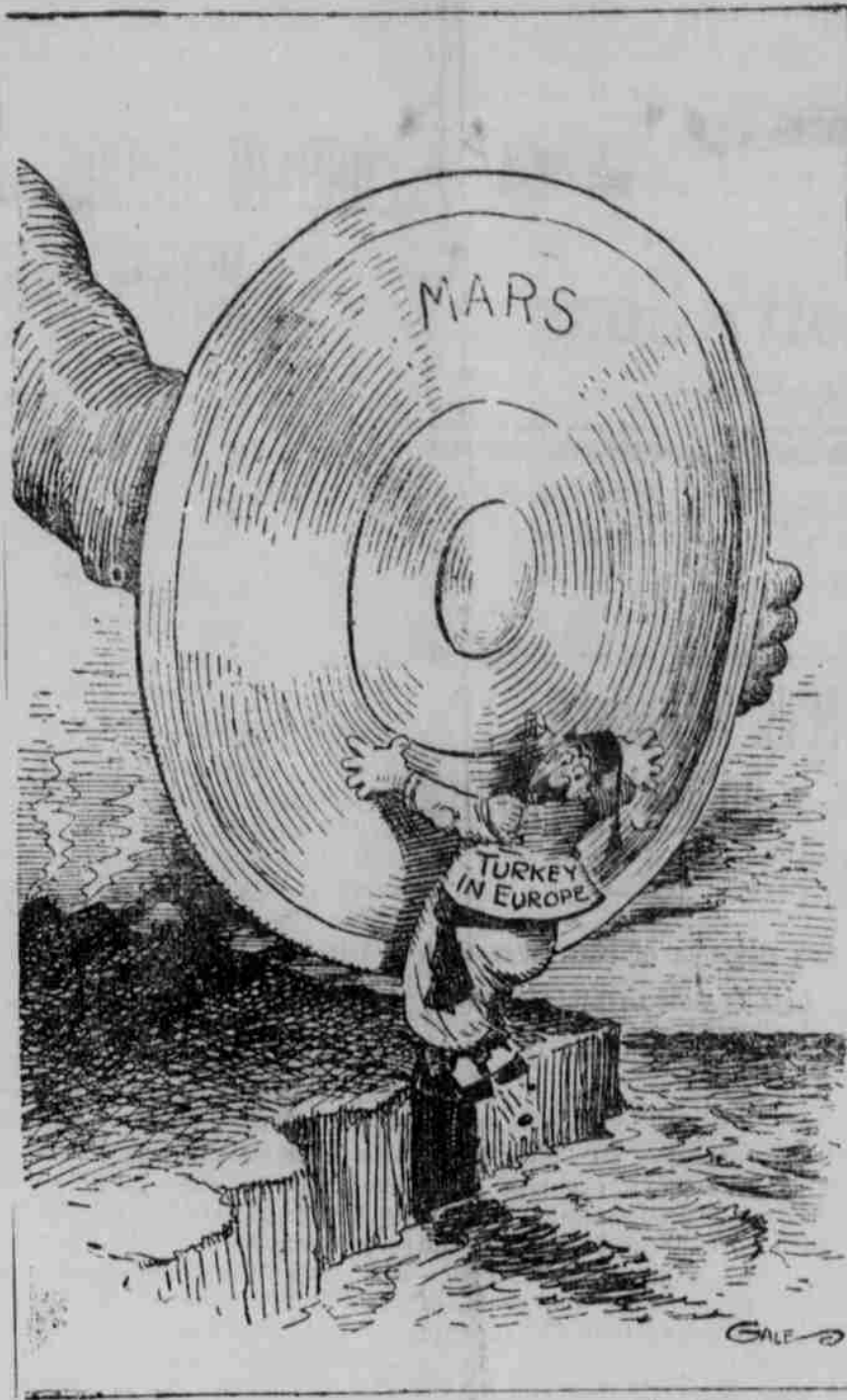
From Friday's Daily.  
Louis Jiran has been very busy the last two days in packing his household goods preparatory to shipping them to Mandan, N. D., where they will make their future home on a farm some eight miles from that city. The family will leave Tuesday evening for the Burlington for St. Paul, Minn., where they will make connections with the Northern Pacific railway, which will conduct them to their new home. John Hadraba will accompany the Jiran family to their new home and will engage in farming there during the coming season. To this estimable family the best wishes of their many friends will go with them to their future home.

## REAL ESTATE IN CASS CO. BRINGS BIG PRICE

That the farm lands of Cass county are undoubtedly among the best in the state was demonstrated this week when the land belonging to the estate of the late Milton J. Smith, located near Weeping Water, sold for \$11,000. There was ninety-one acres in the piece, which is located in the west half of the southwest quarter of section 30, range 14, township 11. Dr. M. M. Butler of Weeping Water was referee in charge of the sale and the land was purchased by E. F. Marshall of that city. Land values throughout the county are constantly increasing and the owners of the farming lands are having their investments double for them, and some of the choicest land has become almost too valuable to farm.

**New Semaphore.**  
The Burlington is putting in the concrete base for the new semaphore at the passenger depot in this city, which will be constructed of iron and take the place of the present one, which is placed on top of the depot roof. The work is being done by a force of men from Omaha and is part of the general program of improvement that has been outlined by the Burlington at the station here during the coming season.

## IN BAD.



—Sale in Los Angeles Times.

## Entertains Social Workers.

The Social Workers of the M. E. church were most delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. Charley Parker yesterday afternoon, this being their regular meeting. A business session was held, after which the large number in attendance devoted the remainder of the afternoon to plying the needle on dainty fancy work, conversation and the like. At the proper time a delicious luncheon was served by the hostess. The ladies of this organization then extended their warmest thanks to Mrs. Parker for her kind hospitality and the splendid afternoon afforded them and departed for their homes.

## DEATH OF A FORMER CASS COUNTY CITIZEN

J. R. Bates, Veteran of Civil War and Former Citizen of Cass County Passes Away.

From Friday's Daily.

A letter was received yesterday by Israel F. Bates announcing the death of his brother, J. R. Bates, at Walla Walla, Washington, a few days ago. Mr. Bates will be remembered by many of our citizens, as he was a visitor here in November with his brother, and made many friends who will hear with great regret of his death. He was also a former resident of this county, coming here in an early day, and endured all the hardships of life in the new west, remaining here until 1881, when he removed to Washington, where he has since resided. The news of his brother's death came as a great shock to Mr. Bates, as it was wholly unexpected, he dropping dead from hemorrhage of the brain. The funeral was held at his home in Walla Walla.

John R. Bates was born near Oswego, New York, June 17, 1852, and lived there until 1854, when he accompanied his parents to Rockford, Illinois, where he made his home until he decided to seek his fortune further west, and came to Cass county, Nebraska, settling in Eight Mile Grove precinct in 1856, remaining until the outbreak of the civil war, when he enlisted in Company A of the First Nebraska and served five years in the army in the war of the rebellion and the Indian troubles that were besetting the residents of Nebraska. He was married in February, 1866, to Miss Mary K. Tape, of Rockford, Illinois, and to this union there were born nine children, of whom five are left to mourn the death of their father. Mrs. Bates preceded her husband to the better land, passing away in June, 1912. One brother, I. F. Bates, of this city, and one sister, residing at The Dells, Oregon, are also left to mourn the loss of this worthy man.

## REMODELING THE NEW POLLOCK RESIDENCE

From Friday's Daily.

Workmen are busily engaged in preparing the new residence of T. H. Pollock on Main street for occupancy and the house is being thoroughly remodeled and placed in a modern condition. New windows have been placed in the east side of the house and new flooring placed in several of the rooms, as well as a modern bath room. The decorating and papering of the house will be done by Frank Gobelman of this city in his usual artistic manner, and when completed the house will be one of the nicest homes in the city and one of which Mr. Pollock can be proud.

## Able to Be Out.

Carl, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. B. G. Wurl, who has just recovered from an operation for appendicitis, was able to be out in the yard today for the first time and is feeling very well, and now that he is able to be around will gradually get back his strength.

## SENSIBLE VIEWS OF THE JAIL PROPOSITION

A Few Figures That Will Convince Anyone That the Tax Is but a Small Amount.

At their regular meeting February 4, the board of county commissioners adopted a resolution ordering that a special election be held Tuesday, April 8, for the purpose of voting upon the proposition to appropriate the sum of \$12,000 to build a new county jail, and levy a special tax for that purpose. This action of the commissioners no doubt gave birth to the county seat removal agitation that is now being carried on in some parts of the county, and petitions are now being circulated for the purpose of having a special election called to vote upon the question of county seat removal. At the present time we are not dealing with the county seat question—the jail proposition is the one that confronts us, and is the one that we will vote upon at the special election April 8.

The first thing to be considered is, does the county need a new jail? A glance at the outside or inside of the old jail will afford an emphatic affirmative answer. The old shack which has been in use more than twenty years was NEVER suitable for that purpose. The figures will show that during that time the expense of transferring criminals for safe-keeping, extra guards, chasing escaped prisoners, repairs and extra heating expense, are items that have amounted at least one-fourth the cost of a new jail and that money is gone and still the county has nothing but that old shack that has been condemned by state authorities. Eighteen years ago the first of this month we saw a prisoner march out of that old jail to the scaffold, a smile on his face as he took his position on the trap door, smiling probably because he realized that he left that old jail for a better place, even if he kept on downward after he dropped through the trap—anyway, Harry Hill never came back, and the old jail is there yet.

The matter of "enormous tax" is being mentioned occasionally and may be a bugbear to those who do not stop to figure the actual cost to them. Just take your pencil and a very few minutes of your time you can ascertain what a \$12,000 jail will cost you. The proposition to be voted upon as it will appear on your ballot is for or against "the appropriation of \$12,000 and the levying and collection of a special tax sufficient to raise said amount for the purpose of building a county jail." That's the proposition. Now, a simple little problem in mathematics will show just how much of the \$12,000 would come out of your pocket. Taking the county's property valuation of \$8,000,000 as a basis, the tax levy to raise the \$12,000 will be just 1 1/2 mills, and as you know just the value of your own taxable property you can easily figure out what a 1 1/2 mill levy would cost you to build a \$12,000 jail. Not nearly as much as you thought, eh? We have been asked our opinion and reasons, and have endeavored to state them clearly and fairly, with all due respect for the opinions of those who may not agree with us on this jail proposition.—Union Ledger.

The Ledger article is right to the point and the views of Bro. Graves is the way every taxpayer should look at it, as it is but a small matter to them in a financial point of view. If a taxpayer pays on \$10,000 worth of property to his jail tax will be just \$3.00, or 30 cents on each thousand dollars' worth of property, and this is all paid in one year and you are done with it.

## Attention, Farmers!

Clean up your yard now and see O. P. Monroe about buying all old scrap iron at the highest market price. 2-27-13-wkly

## MISS MARY E. FOSTER VISITS PRESIDENT WILSON

From Friday's Daily.  
Washington dispatches this morning state that County Superintendent Mary E. Foster of this county, in company with Congressman Dan V. Stephens and Superintendent Mrs. Waterhouse, were callers yesterday on President Wilson at the White house, and received a short audience with the chief executive of the nation. Miss Foster has been in Philadelphia attending the National Superintendents' association meeting, and took the occasion to attend the inauguration of our democratic president.

## MRS. VAL BURKEL ENTERTAINS KENSINGTON CLUB

From Thursday's Daily.  
Mrs. Val Burkel delightfully entertained the members of the Kensington club at her cozy rooms on Main street yesterday afternoon. This is not a new club by any means, as they have been in existence for the past year or so. The ladies of the organization always bring Kensington bags containing their fancy work and spend the entire afternoon stitching on dainty needlework. Mrs. Burkel is a most hospitable entertainer and whenever the members of this club are invited to her home they plan on an enjoyable time. The hostess served a most excellent luncheon, which materially added to the pleasures of the afternoon. The members of the club in attendance were: Mesdames J. E. McDaniel, M. E. Manspeaker, R. A. Bates, George Thomas, F. G. Egenberger, L. B. Egenberger, Peter Goos, Olga Croskary, William Hassler, W. L. Austin, W. E. Rosenerans, J. C. Peterson, F. R. Guthmann.

## Fine Show Windows.

From Friday's Daily.  
The Main street store windows of E. A. Wurl certainly present a beautiful sight in the display of the new and dainty curtain fabrics for spring, and they have been arranged in a most artistic manner that appeals to all who are seeking new adornments for their home this spring, and the assortment is most complete in every respect and embraces every possible design and price.

## NEBRASKA LIGHTING COMPANY REMOVES TO THEIR NEW QUARTERS

From Friday's Daily.  
The Nebraska Lighting company was engaged yesterday and today in removing their business office to the building on North Sixth street next to the telephone building, where patrons can find the office located in the future. J. R. Rummelfield and a force of painters have been engaged in redecorating and fixing the building up in first-class shape for the company and they will have a very commodious place to transact their business in and where it can be handled much more satisfactorily.

## "MADE IN NEBRASKA" SHOW IS NOW OPEN IN OMAHA

The "Made in Nebraska" show which opens in Omaha today, will have as a special attraction for the business men of the state the annual meeting of the Federation of Nebraska Retailers, which meets there March 11-14, and every member of the Federation in this city should make it a point to attend and enjoy these meetings, which will be full of much interest for all of them, as well as the splendid display of Nebraska-made products. Every merchant in the city should be a member of the local branch of the Federation, of which E. A. Wurl is president, as it helps them, through co-operation, to accomplish much more in their respective lines than would be possible otherwise. The meetings in Omaha will give all those attending the benefit of the views of the different members throughout the state, and the result in much benefit to all of them.

## Will Move to Murray.

From Friday's Daily.  
George Park will move his family to Murray this week, where they will make their home for the present with Mrs. Park's mother, Mrs. William Wiley. As the greater portion of Mr. Park's work is near Murray, the change will be more convenient for him than living in this city, as well as being much more pleasant for Grandma Wiley.