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## THE CITY COUNCIL IN REGULAR SESSION

Very Interesting Session, Many Matters Taken Up of Interest to Our Citizens.

From Tuesday's Daily.

There was a complete membership present last evening at the council chambers when Mayor Wittler called that body to order, and the members proceeded to get busy at once with the matters that confronted them.

A petition was read, signed by the different business men of the city, asking that the city increase the salary of John Fitzpatrick, the merchants' night police, from \$10 to \$20 per month, and on motion of Councilman Lushinsky the prayer of the petitioners was granted and Johnnie will receive the raise his faithful services deserve.

A communication was also read by City Clerk Wurl from Judge H. D. Travis, asking that some work be done on South Seventh street, which was in bad shape, and the council granted the wish of the petitioner and the work will be done as soon as possible.

The petition of Judge A. J. Beeson and others was read asking that grading be done near their property in order that the proper sidewalks may be put in by the property owners as soon as the grading is completed, and the request was heeded by the council and the work will be gotten out of the way as soon as possible.

C. A. Rawls had a communication before the council asking permission to use the dirt taken from the alley in the rear of his premises to make a fill, which was granted by the council.

The ordinance creating curbing and guttering district No. 5 was read for the first time and passed over until the next meeting of the council. This is the North Sixth and Oak street permanent curbing and guttering district, and as soon as the legal time has elapsed the work will be started on this step toward putting the residence streets in proper condition.

The finance committee, after having examined the following claims against the city recommended the payment of the same: Henry Trout, salary as night police for April, \$50; M. McCool, salary as night police, \$26; W. B. Rishel, street work, \$35.70; John Fitzpatrick, salary, \$10; I. N. Cummings, burying two dogs, \$1; C. E. McEntee, street work, \$36; George Poisal, same, \$6; John McDermott, same, \$1; Charles Dixon, same, \$12; John Thomas, same, \$7; Nelson, Jean & Co., same, \$19.20; Al O'Neil, same, \$28.80; F. E. Payson, same, \$4.60; J. D. McAdams, same, \$4; Floyd Patridge, same, \$1.60; Q. K. Parmele, same, \$30; Al Jones, same, \$22.

The streets, alleys and bridges committee, who have been looking up the matter of the sidewalk on Lincoln avenue, along the property of Henry Rothman, reported that the contractor and property owner reach some agreement as to accepting the walk in order that the matter can be satisfactorily settled.

The fire and water committee reported that the furnace in the library building should be repaired during the coming summer and recommended the appropriation of \$55.50 for the work, and the same was granted by the council.

Councilman Hallstrom called the attention of the council to the near approach of Decoration day and asked that the small grader be used for the purpose of putting the roads through the cemetery, and leading to it, in proper shape for that day, which was ordered done.

The council took up the matter of the bridges in the north part of the city, there being some five in need of repairs and several of them out of commission, and the streets, alleys and bridges committee was instructed to interview the county commissioners at

once to see that they were placed in the proper shape.

On motion of Councilman Bajack the city was authorized to purchase twelve of the new city directories at the sum of \$2 each, for use in the various departments of the city government.

Councilman Patterson called the attention of the council to the condition of North Eighth street, leading to the rifle range, and the street was ordered placed in the proper condition for travel, as this is practically the only bad piece of road leading to that place.

The committee which was appointed at a previous meeting of the council to draft resolutions of respect to the memory of the late Walter J. White, a former member of the council, reported the following resolutions:

Whereas, The late Walter J. White, one of the most respected citizens of our city, has been removed from among us; and

Whereas, He was formerly a member of this council, and was one of its most careful and valued members; therefore, be it

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## HANDKERCHIEF SHOWER FOR MISS M'DANIEL

Mrs. F. G. Egenberger Entertains Large Party of Young Ladies for the Event.

From Wednesday's Daily.

Yesterday afternoon a large number of the young lady friends of Miss Virginia McDaniel were entertained in a most charming manner by Mrs. F. G. Egenberger at her beautiful home on Vine street. The young ladies enjoyed a guessing game of flowers, in which contest Miss Clara Austin proved the most successful and was awarded the prize. The game was one that occasioned much merriment and fun over the different answers given.

The guests were then invited into the dining room, where a most delicious two-course luncheon was served by the hostess, assisted by Misses Helen Egenberger, Nora Rosencrans and Teresa Droeger, which was much enjoyed by the jolly crowd. The dining room was decorated in pink and white and over the center of the table a basket containing the handkerchiefs was suspended and to each one a tiny ribbon was attached, which was draped to the seat of honor occupied by Miss McDaniel at the head of the table, and as each ribbon was pulled one of the lovely offerings of the guests was disclosed and the bride-to-be was soon completely showered with dainty handkerchiefs of all descriptions.

After the luncheon the guests adjourned to the parlors, where several musical numbers were given by the different members of the party, as well as another guessing game, in which the guests were requested to name the different advertisements displayed, and in this Miss Clara Austin again proved to be the most successful in carrying off the prize.

The guests for the afternoon were: Misses Clara Austin, Virginia McDaniel, Helen Spies, Bess Edwards, Ethel Leyda, Emma Bauer, Beulah Sans, Hermia Spies, Alice Tney, Nora Patton, Esther Larson, Christine Soennichsen and Mrs. Ed Egenberger.

Penmanship and Art Exhibit.

From Tuesday's Daily.

The penmanship and art exhibit will be held all day Wednesday and Thursday and until Friday at noon of this week in the vacant room in the Riley block. The prizes for the best work in penmanship will be presented Friday morning. All the patrons, parents and friends of the pupils of the schools are invited to call and look at this excellent exhibition of the work along this line by the school children.

Sell your property by an ad in the Journal.

## YOUNG WOMAN SAYS SHE WAS DOPED

On Train From Holdrige to Weeping Water and Brought Here to Be Deserted.

From Wednesday's Daily.

Last evening a couple arrived on the north bound Missouri Pacific at 5 o'clock and went to the Hotel Riley, where they registered as "J. Johnson and wife of Topeka," and were apparently all they professed to be and the clerk did not for a moment question their actions.

About 11 o'clock Mrs. Johnson came down stairs and announced that the man was not her husband and that he had skipped out, leaving her. She stated that she had met the man on the train on which she was traveling from Holdridge to Weeping Water to visit friends, and that he became very attentive and in some manner drugged or doped her and brought her on to this city, where he deserted her. The woman was very much worked up over the matter and drove out to the midnight Missouri Pacific to try and catch him before he got away, but he evidently was on the lookout and kept out of sight, although a man answering his description was seen shortly before the woman came.

Failing to find the man there the young woman, who gave her name as Eikhoff, returned to the city, where she remained until this morning, when she departed for Weeping Water, her original destination. The lady is apparently quite young and the story of doping seems very probable, as cases similar to this have been brought to the attention of the police of the different cities, and if it is true and the man can be located he should be punished to the full extent of the law. Young women who travel alone on trains should, however, exercise better judgment in picking up with everyone whom they meet and save themselves much trouble.

The lady stated that while on the train the man asked her to read a newspaper on which she noticed there was some white powder sprinkled, and on her refusal he tossed the powder in her face and after that she does not have any recollection until she found herself in the hotel here. It is supposed that the powder was cocaine and that she must have snuffed some of the drug to have the effect she claims. She claimed she was Mrs. W. F. Eikhoff and that her husband was a car wiper at Holdridge.

## YOUNG MAN CELEBRATES TWENTY-FIRST BIRTHDAY

Last Sunday evening a large crowd of young folks gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Scheel, near Murdock, to assist their son, Johnnie, in celebrating his twenty-first birthday anniversary. The evening was passed most delightfully in playing games and musical numbers by the different members of the jolly crowd until a late hour, when they were invited to partake of some very delicious ice cream and cake, which added much to the pleasures of what had already been a most delightful evening. The guests present on this occasion were: Clara and Herbert Stroy, Emma and Herman Gakemier, Bertha and Conrad Reinke, Erna and Albert Luehr, Pauline and Walter Thimgahn, Mable and Leonard Wendt, Clara and Conrad Wehrmann, Ella and Anna Lau, John and August Gakemier, Henry and August Wendt, Herman and Christ Kupke, Frank Riester, Will Schildemier, Conrad Baumgartner, Clara Wozel, Martha Lau, Mary Peters, Mary Neben of Buffalo, Neb., and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Joachim. The friends who gathered for the party united in wishing Johnnie many more such happy birthdays.

## REDMEN HAVE SPLENID TIME AT THEIR HALL

Some One Hundred and Twenty Present to Take Part in Celebratin Anniversary of Lodge.

From Wednesday's Daily.

Last evening the hall of the local lodge of the Red Men was the scene of much merriment and enjoyment, when the members of that order and their families and friends gathered to celebrate the establishing of their hunting grounds here, and all the chiefs were present last evening to take part in the pleasures of the evening. The crowd, numbering some 120, was so large it was necessary to use both floors of the building to accommodate the jolly gathering, and that it was an occasion long to be remembered was the verdict of all.

The lower hall was converted into the banquet room and two long tables were spread the whole length of the hall and were lined with the jolly crowd to partake of the delightful repast prepared by the expert chefs of the order. There was nothing omitted from the menu that would tempt the most fastidious and the way the tempting delicacies disappeared was proof of the appreciation of the guests of the evening.

In the lodge room on the second floor the evening was devoted to the enjoyment of music and a general delightful social time. Several splendid vocal numbers were given by Misses Ferris and Kate York and Mr. Jesse York, and the talented vocalists were called back repeatedly by the delighted audience, who seemed to be unable to get enough of the delightful singing. Miss Helen Carlson, who is a very talented pianist, gave several instrumental numbers and her rendition of the different selections was given in a most pleasing manner.

The celebration throughout was conducted in a manner that reflects great credit upon the committee in charge and the members and their families fortunate enough to be present were more than delighted with the evening of complete enjoyment. The Red Men have had a number of social gatherings this past winter, but the one last evening certainly was the best given by this excellent order for many moons.

## OLD PLATTSMOUTH BOYS IN EVIDENCE AT LONG BEACH

The Journal has just received a copy of the Long Beach Press containing a section devoted entirely to automobiles and boasting the Long Beach auto exhibit that opened in that city last month, and among the photographs on the front page of the paper appears two of our former townsmen—H. J. Helps and W. L. Thomas—who during the time they have been in business in that city have met with great success and are among the leading automobile dealers in that locality. Southern California is truly the auto owners' paradise and these gentlemen have more than made good on their venture in that city.

Soon Reach His 100th Milestone.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Yesterday J. L. Russell and wife of Lincoln arrived in the city for a visit with their son, Lew Russell and family, here for a time. Mr. Russell is a fine, hale and hearty man and to see him one would little guess his age, but next March he will have passed his one hundredth birthday. To see this fine old gentleman one would hardly take him to be over 60.

August Stohlman of the vicinity of Louisville was attending to some business matters in this city yesterday, and was a pleasant caller at this office, at which time he renewed his subscription.

## Meet at Thomsen Home.

From Wednesday's Daily.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church was delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. H. Thomsen yesterday afternoon. There were a large number of the ladies of the church and congregation present, who, after the regular business session, indulged in various amusements, interspersed with conversation and stitching on dainty fancy work, all of which made the occasion a very pleasant one. At the proper time some very delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

## Buys Elson Property.

From Wednesday's Daily.

M. S. Briggs has just purchased the Elson property on South Sixth street and intends to take up his residence therein as soon as possible. This property is one of the handsomest places in town; the house has eleven rooms and bath and is fitted up with all modern conveniences. The grounds embrace a third of a block and have a natural beauty unequalled by any place. The sale was effected through G. F. S. Burton.

## APPEALED TO WRONG DEPARTMENT OF M. P.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Some time ago the Commercial club began negotiations with the Missouri Pacific officials in Kansas City in regard to the putting on of another train or furnishing better connections with the Lincoln branch line for the benefit of those in the western and central part of the county who desired to come to this city. The officials held out the promise of the needed relief, and nothing was done in the matter and the officials of the club again brought the matter to the attention of the company, with the result that the Kansas City officials refused to afford us any relief, and it is now up to the club and citizens here to carry the matter up to President Bush, and if he cannot give the satisfactory arrangements, then the matter should be brought to the attention of the state railway commission, where it may be possible to secure a fair shake on the matter. The Missouri Pacific has afforded the towns to the south of us a splendid service from the north and made it possible for residents at Murray to go more conveniently to Nebraska City than Plattsmouth has a right to register a seems possible, planned their schedules in such a manner as to work a hardship upon not only this city, but the whole country as well, and it is time they began to recognize the fact that Plattsmouth has a right to register a loud and vigorous kick on the service handed them by this railroad.

## NEW BILLIARD AND POOL HALL OPENED

From Tuesday's Daily.

The new pool hall operated by F. H. Dunbar and T. B. Bates, was opened this afternoon in the Sherwood building, and it is a place worthy of more than passing mention, as it is fitted up in a most elaborate manner and is without doubt the finest billiard and pool establishment ever in the city. The room has been re-papered and decorated in a most artistic manner, and with the handsome tables and fixtures is a place far superior to the general run of city billiard parlors and makes an ideal room to enjoy a social game of pool or billiards in the finest of surroundings. The firm has four large pool tables and one billiard table in the hall and the public is assured of a hearty welcome at this beautiful new place.

Phil Keil of the vicinity of Murray was a visitor in this city Monday and called at this office and renewed his subscription.

## THE CLASS PLAY AT THE PARMELE

Theater Filled to Overflowing and Rendition of Play Was Very Pleasing.

From Tuesday's Daily.

The Parmele theater was crowded last evening on the occasion of the presentation of the senior class plays, and those attending felt well repaid, for the young people handled the parts in a manner that would have done credit to far more experienced actors, and in the carrying out of the plays they showed the careful training they had received at the hands of Mrs. George E. Dovey and Prof. H. S. Austin.

The program opened with "The French Maid and the Phonograph," a bright little comedy one-act playlet, which was carried out by the girls of the school in a very pleasing manner. As Flossy Greene, ambitious to become a French scholar and to acquire Parisian manners, Miss Ferris York was excellent, as was Miss Anna Wollfarth, who played the role of Mrs. Greene, the mother, and Josephine Rys, who appeared as Mollie Greene, the younger sister. The handling of the role of Mary Ann French, a cook who attempted to take the part of a French maid, had been assigned to Miss Margaret Albert, and she carried the part out to perfection, and her clever work brought forth much laughter. Miss Agnes Ptak, who appeared as Miss Ayers, supposed to be a finished French scholar, was very effective in her role and her contribution to the playlet aided greatly in its success, as did the splendid acting of Miss Florence Richardson, the representative of a system of teaching one to speak French by the use of a phonograph. Miss Richardson has a good voice for the stage and a splendid bearing that made her acting very effective.

Don Arries carried the role of the leading man in a most pleasing manner, having the character of the boy who had to pay his own way through school by running an eating house, and his scenes with Miss Janet Clement, who appeared as Miss Eleanor Forbes, the popular girl of the college, were very charming and they carried out their parts like veterans. In the part of Bene, a freshman whose feet were always in the way, Reuben Saxton was most laughable and his cleverness made the play very amusing. The villain of the show was Waldemar Soennichsen, who appeared as "Perry" Spencer, a supposed "leader" in college society, and as he was foiled by the leading man in his efforts to secure the hand of Miss Forbes, he was the picture of baffled villainy. Miss Agnes Ptak appeared as Mrs. Lee, an aristocratic lady, and she was all that could be asked for in the line of the proud woman, and in the part added the honors secured in the opening play. As Violet, a helpful soul, in love with Bene, Miss Angie McCarroll was most pleasing and assisted in adding the comedy touches to the play. The difficult role of Gertrude Spencer, who tried to assist her brother to win the hand of Miss Forbes, was handled very cleverly by Miss Beulah Sans and her acting showed careful study of the part. The whole play was one which reflected great credit upon the young people and they can feel greatly elated over the splendid success scored by their plays.

There was only one disagreeable feature connected with the show and that was the noise occasioned by the seating of the audience during the progress of the play and the tramping up and down the aisle caused those seated to miss a great deal of what the players were saying.

James Terryberry of the vicinity of Cedar Creek motored to this city yesterday to attend to some business matters. He called at this office and renewed his allegiance to the Old Reliable.