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## DESERVED TRIBUTE TO JUST JUDGE

Hon. Matthew Gering Pays Most  
Eloquent and Touching Tribute  
to the Late Judge Travis.

The Journal has had a number of requests for the publication of the address of Hon. Matthew Gering, the eloquent attorney of this city, delivered at the funeral of the late Judge Travis, and through the courtesy of Mr. Gering we reproduce below the touching and impressive tribute that this gentleman paid to his departed friend and associate at the bar:

My Friends: Death is the valet who opens the door of the future and permits us to look into the mysterious chamber of eternity; it is the apogee of that highway upon which our departed friend and jurist has trod, and we who live after him in this sorrowing presence can see the flowers he has plucked along its hillside and the thorns whose sting he has felt. In the noiseless chambers of the dead no sighs of sorrow, no heartaches over broken hopes, no anguish over aspirations unattained now disturb the restfulness of his dreamless sleep. The starlessness of a sombre night neither mars nor detracts from the generous deeds he performed while living, nor the happiness he gave to others, and from his voiceless sepulchre there comes no cry of pain. Let us salute his memory.

Death is the end of all sorrows, it either secures happiness or ends suffering. It frees the slave from his master, opens the prison doors, cures pain and closes the struggle of poverty. It is the last and best boon of nature, for it is the emancipator of a man from all his cares and is at worst but the end of a banquet we have all enjoyed.

"If a man die shall he live again?" In reply to the savage incantation of the untutored Patagonian who listens to the winds and voice of thunder with unfeigned awe, as to the subtle meditations of the metaphysicians, comes the same answer to this perplexing question. None, except the throbbing of a soul and the longing for a life hereafter.

If this desire for immortality is to be the splendid realization of our hopes, then men should dread to live and not to die. From the cavern of the countless dead, from the lips of the living, from the walls of infancy to the piping sounds of age pagans and Christian comes the cry of the soul for immortality.

"Plato, thou reasonest well. Else whence this pleasing hope, this fond desire, this longing after immortality, Why shrinks the soul back on herself And startles at destruction?" "Tis divinity that stirs within us, Divinity, thou dreadful pleasing thought."

As I stand in fancy upon the edge of his last resting place to place a flower of friendship and admiration upon his bier and pay the timid tribute of a friend, I find a melancholy pleasure in contemplating his virtues and forgetting his faults. He was my friend and in speculating upon his sad taking off when his manhood was at the poondy of maturity, I wonder why it is that such a man is stricken down and others so much less useful to humanity are permitted to live, perhaps as the sweet song sung with such feeling, "Sometime We'll Understand," but not now. His subservience to his duty as a jurist while a judge and fidelity to his clients, when a practitioner at the bar, was a passion with him, and his task in this direction contributed to his early dissolution or hastened the end. The sublimest of all virtues, that of honesty, he possessed in a mark-

ed degree, and any mistakes in his judicial decisions was one of the head and not of the heart, for Judge Travis was as honest and conscientious a man in the performance of his duties as any man I ever knew. He has not lived in vain and his character will leave its impress upon the community wherein he lived and which he loved, and those that were near and dear to him, his faithful wife and helpmate and sterling sons and daughter, can find much to sustain them in their sorrows in the serene contemplation that the husband and father was a man "where every God did seem to set his seal and give the world assurance of a man."

## FARMER NEARLY HAS HIS EAR TORN OFF

Julius Helficker Meets With a  
Very Severe Accident While  
on Way Home.

From Wednesday's Daily.

Last evening Julius Helficker, who resides a few miles west of this city, met with an accident which was quite painful and will put him out from his duties for some time. Mr. Helficker had come to Plattsmouth to do some trading and late in the afternoon started for home with a load of lumber and other merchandise for the house. When within about a mile of his home the team he was driving suddenly shied at some object in the road, and in so doing pulled the lines out of his hands, with the result that Julius was thrown to the ground, alighting on the side of his head. The left ear was torn in a terrible manner and bruises were raised on both sides of his face from the effects of the fall. The team, after the driver had fallen off, continued on their way homeward, and Philip Treitsch, who was behind Mr. Helficker in an automobile, picked the injured man up and conveyed him to his home.

The injured man was brought to this city this morning to have his injuries dressed and they were found to be quite severe, and in addition to the lacerated ear, he received a badly discolored right eye and numerous skinned places on his face. It was feared by the family at first that he had sustained a fracture or concussion of his head, but he seems to feel in good shape this morning, with the exception of the injuries he sustained. It is most fortunate for Mr. Helficker that he escaped as easily as he did, as it is a wonder he was not killed by the fall and the manner in which he struck the ground.

## WILLIAM BRADY FINED FOR HAVING ON TOO MUCH "BOOZE"

This morning William Brady was brought up to face Judge M. Archer on a charge of being drunk, and entered a plea of guilty to the charge. William was discovered by the police last evening attempting to climb up the lamp posts on Main street to try and add to the illumination furnished by the light company, evidently thinking that in his own well "lit" condition he would be an excellent substitute for the lights. He was requested to go on to his abode and sleep off his over-supply of "booze," but refused and the police gathered him in and escorted him to the Hotel Manspeaker to rest for the night. He stated that his home was in Omaha and that he came down here to shuck corn, as had been his custom for several years, and was to start work at once. The judge, after hearing the evidence in the case, decided to give him a fine of \$2 and costs for his celebration, and as the man only had \$2 on his person the court, on his promise of good behavior, released him in order that he could go on to his work.

## SATURDAY A GREAT BIG DAY FOR BARGAINS

Farmers and Their Wives Should  
Take Advantage of the Special  
Bargains Offered.

On next Saturday the sales day which has been agitated for some time among the merchants will be inaugurated in this city, and the merchants of the city have arranged some exceptional good bargains for their customers and the farmers of the county which will be an event that cannot be overlooked by the careful and shrewd buyers.

The large advertisements appearing in this issue of the Evening Journal will show that the opportunities offered the public are such that they cannot be overlooked by the shoppers and those who desire to secure good values for their money. The business houses in this city are as good as can be found in any town of this size in the state, and all of them carry lines of goods from which it is possible to find anything that may be desired, and the goods all carry with them the guarantee of the merchant as to their worth. The committee in charge of the arrangements for the sales day has secured the services of the Burlington band, which splendid organization will give a concert on Saturday afternoon on the street for the entertainment of the visitors here and the citizens of the town, and this feature alone, regardless of the splendid money-saving bargains offered by the merchants, will be the means of attracting a large number to the city, who can save money by attending the sales, and at the same time have the pleasure of hearing the excellent band in concert.

The auctioneer provided by the committee will be at the disposal of the farmers who have articles for sale and will auction off these free of cost to the farmers. Come in Saturday and bring your families and spend a most enjoyable day, as well as a most profitable one.

## RELEASED SUSPECT AT NEBRASKA CITY ENTIRELY TOO SOON

Jim Billings, as he gave his name, a vagrant who was picked up by the police a few days ago and who had four or five fingersoll watches in his possession, is believed to have stolen them from a jewelry store in Plattsmouth.

Sheriff Fischer received a request yesterday afternoon to hold the man until the property could be identified, but upon investigation it was discovered that Judge Cook had released the man for want of evidence, and when sought he was nowhere to be found. It is believed he went south from here.

The man was arrested on suspicion and was held but twenty-four hours, the police magistrate having stated that he had no charge upon which he could be detained longer. The request from Plattsmouth to hold him for that county came too late for the sheriff of Otoe county to do any good.

The Plattsmouth store was robbed a few days ago and nothing of value except the watches was taken. There is probably no reason to believe that the thief could be anybody but the man who was released from the city jail yesterday afternoon.—Nebraska City Press.

For any pain, burn, scald or bruise, apply Dr. Thomas' Ecolite Oil—the household remedy. Two sizes, 25c and 50c, at all drug stores.

## Nigger in the Wood Pile.

In last evening's Journal, under the heading, "County Commissioners Held Interesting Meeting," wherein it states I filed a claim for \$375. This is not true, and it looks to me as though there is "a nigger in the wood pile" somewhere. I simply ask for a just and equitable allowance. I was never notified of the intention of the taking of a strip of my land for the road—such notification is required by the statutes—and I do not know why I was not notified in time so the claim could have been filed in proper time. However, I am entitled to a just amount for the road going through my land, and as soon as I get next to who and where the nigger is that's in the wood pile I may give out more for publication, and I shall keep it up until I receive justice. Respectfully yours, B. Golding.

## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS HOLD INTERESTING MEETING

The county commissioners at their meeting yesterday had quite an amount of business to transact and pass upon, especially in the matter of new roads, as there were several petitions for the opening of roads in the vicinity of Nehawka and Weeping Water, and they were ordered opened up. In the claim of B. Golding for damages caused by the construction of the river road, the claim of \$375 was refused, as the time for filing for damages was past. The different county officials filed their reports for the third quarter of the year as follows: County clerk, \$290.64; county register of deeds, \$392.70; county judge, \$175.10; clerk of the district court, \$500.10. The commissioners decided to postpone action on the matter of the concrete bridges in this city, and also will not take action on the matter of the bids for the poor farm until the meeting here on Tuesday, October 21.

## NOT MANY FARM NAMES RECORDED

The legislature, at its session in 1911, enacted a law providing that the owners of homes, farms and ranches could, by the payment of the sum of \$1 have the name recorded with the county clerk in the county in which they resided and that there should be no farm of the same name recorded in the county. The home owners of this county have been very slow to avail themselves of this privilege, as there has been only five so far to avail themselves of the opportunity to secure names for their farms. Those who have registered their farms are as follows: L. J. Griffith, Nehawka, "Cedar Vale;" C. R. Jordan, Greenwood, "Prairie View;" W. B. Banning, Liberty, "Fair Acres;" Ella S. Larsh, Liberty, "Springdale Farm;" Julius A. Pitt, "Pleasant View."

The custom of having a name for the country home is a very commendable one and more of the owners of the beautiful farms that cover Cass county should receive their names and have them recorded with the clerk in compliance with the law, in order that they may have a distinction and individuality of their own. There is no county in the state where more handsome country homes are to be found than in Cass county, and it is fitting that they should be given names that will be lasting and which will impress itself upon the countrymen traveling through the county.

Itching, bleeding, protruding on blind piles have yielded to Doan's Ointment. 50c at all stores.

If you need anything for harvest call on Ed Donat. He will treat you right.

## TWO BIG GERMAN DAYS OCTOBER 18 AND 19

Arrangements Perfected for a Big Time, and Every German in Cass County Should Attend.

The near approach of German Day in this city bids the citizens get busy who desire to see this great event celebrated in the proper manner. For the two days that the representatives of this great race will hold forth in this city in celebration of the two hundred and thirtieth anniversary of the landing of the first Germans in America, the people of Plattsmouth, irrespective of race, should do their utmost to make the event a great success.

Let the different business houses and residences, on these festive days, display the colors of the Fatherland, as well as our own glorious Stars and Stripes, for which the Germans have so freely shed their blood. The committee on arrangements from the Germans of this city, which has the matter in hand, have arranged a very pleasing program for the 18th and 19th of this month, when they will celebrate the event that is being set aside throughout the country for the purpose of honoring the members of the German race.

A big parade of the different German societies and citizens will be given on Saturday afternoon from Main street to the German Home on Washington avenue, and in the evening of that day a fine social dance will be given at the Home, to which the public will be admitted. On the 19th a very extensive program has been arranged for, which will include speeches, both in German and English, as Otto Kinder of Omaha will speak in the German tongue, while Hon. Matthew Gering of this city will deliver an address in English, and those who have heard the eloquence of Mr. Gering will know well that a splendid treat is in store for them. In the evening an entertainment will be given by a company of talented musicians and actors from Omaha under the direction of Thd. R. Reece, and these features alone are worth coming miles to hear.

The services of the Burlington band have been secured for Saturday, the 18th, and this organization will be heard in concert on Main street preceding the parade, which will be held at 2:30. The Germans in charge of the program were more than fortunate to secure the services of Thd. R. Reece as director of the musical feature of the entertainment offered at the hall, and those who had the pleasure of listening to the beautiful offerings of this talented musician at the celebration last year will fully realize the importance of having his services as director.

Remember the big events and decorate your places of business or residences and show the visitors who will be here from other points what we can do.

## MEXICAN HAS ARM AMPUTATED AT SHOULDER

From Wednesday's Daily.

The Mexican who was injured at Pacific Junction Monday evening by having his arm crushed by a locomotive, yesterday afternoon was compelled to have that member amputated at the shoulder, as it was so badly crushed as to make it impossible to save the member, and in order to save the man's life it became necessary to take off the arm. He was resting quite easily this morning, considering the severe nature of the injury, and it is thought that he will get along nicely unless some unforeseen complications set in. Quite a number of the fellow countrymen of the injured man were here yesterday looking after him at the Perkins house.

## Will Be Operated on Today.

R. C. Bailey of Maple Grove came in this morning and was a passenger on the early Burlington train for Omaha, where his wife is to be operated on today. Mrs. Bailey has been ailing for the past summer, and as her condition did not improve it was necessary to remove her to the hospital for treatment, and there it was decided that it would be necessary to perform an operation in order to afford her the relief from her ailment.

## W. C. T. U. Hold Meeting.

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held at the home of Mrs. Jennie Schidknecht yesterday afternoon, at which there was a large number in attendance. The ladies have planned for a Banner day, or in other words, a reunion of all the former members of the society, and decided to issue their invitations some time next week. This reunion will be held at the home of Mrs. Charles Troop two weeks from yesterday.

## MUCH INTEREST OVER DISTRICT JUDGSHIP

Judge Beeson Mentioned by State Journal as a Candidate for Office.

Allen J. Beeson, county judge of Cass county, is the fourth candidate for appointment to the position of judge of the Second judicial district. The others are W. W. Wilson and D. W. Livingston of Nebraska City, and D. O. Dwyer of Plattsmouth. Governor Morehead is called upon to make an appointment on account of a vacancy caused by the death of Judge Travis.

Judge Beeson of Plattsmouth is a republican and is supposed to have no show on that account. The judge who died last week was a democrat and it is conceded that a democrat will take his place, although this was not the policy pursued by Governor Morehead when he appointed Judge English of Omaha on the district bench to take the place of Judge Kennedy, a republican, who was appointed by the governor as a second choice on the state board of control.

Judge Travis was ill for a long time and consequently the work usually done by a district judge is far behind. Judge George F. Corcoran of York, judge of the Fifth district, was called to preside in the Second district during a portion of the illness of Judge Travis. Judge Corcoran was called to the governor's office yesterday to answer some questions relating to the work of the district and the qualification of some of the applicants for appointment.

Preceding Judge Corcoran a delegation of Otoe county democrats called on the governor to urge him to appoint D. O. Dwyer of Plattsmouth. Although two attorneys of Nebraska City are applicants the Otoe county men asked for the appointment of a Cass county attorney. It is urged that Judge Travis lived in Cass county and the governor should appoint a man from that county to fill the vacancy.

The Otoe county callers were George Leidigh, formerly warden of the state penitentiary and formerly a member of the legislature; his son, O. G. Leidigh, an attorney of Nebraska City; L. H. Rohmeyer, editor of a German newspaper at Nebraska City; Bayliss S. Littlefield, postmaster at Syracuse. The delegation left feeling cheerful.—Lincoln State Journal.

## For Sale.

Seven and one-half acres of land with 5-room house on it. Barn and outbuildings in good condition. Good well and two good cisterns; two new cellars. Land has fruit and vineyard on it; two acres planted in alfalfa. Inquire of Mrs. Anton Javorsky. 10-8-twkld

## TRUXTON KING IS COMING TO PLATTSMOUTH

This Fine Play Will Be Presented  
at the Parmele Theater Friday  
Night, October 17.

Is there a tendency toward a revival of the romantic drama? Several eminent writers on stage topics, while not certain there is such a tendency, are willing to predict that such a turn on the part of the producers for the theaters would prove profitable. In fact, they are urging that more of the romantic must be injected into the drama if the "movies," which are much given to the picturing of romance, are to be successfully opposed by the regular theater.

In "Truxton King," the newest play of the year, its premiere coming almost with the birth of 1913, romance is enthroned again and the theater-goer is given it in just the setting he used to enjoy, the pomp of power and the clash of arms. "The Prisoner of Zenda" was a cracking good play, and it must be confessed, delightfully romantic. Then there was "Graustark," a picturesque and appealing with its love story of Yvette and Lorry. Now comes "Truxton King," a smoothly-flowing tale of the Graustark country, well-fitted for a play because of its fine flavor, its clear-cut characters, its smart climaxes and its charming romance.

The adaptation for the stage has been made by Miss Grace Hayward, an experienced playwright, who made "Graustark" into a play. Miss Hayward's play-building is well suited to Mr. McCutcheon's style of story-telling and the result ought to be a very pleasant drama. The melodramatic features are not overdone, but sufficient is provided to permit of the swing and dash and brisk movement enjoyable in the book-made play. "Truxton King" will be on view at the Parmele theater on Friday night, October 17, presented by a competent company under the direction of the United Play Co.

Dyspepsia is America's curse. To restore digestion, normal weight, good health and purify the blood, use Burdock Blood Bitters. Sold at all drug stores. Price, \$1.00.

## HARRY M. WEICHEL AND MISS BLANCHE DREAMER, OF ALVO ARE MARRIED

This evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Dreamer, near Alvo, occurs the marriage of Miss Blanche Dreamer and Mr. Harry M. Weichel. The ceremony will be performed by Rev. Van Fleet of Elmwood, and the relatives, as well as a number of the intimate friends of the contracting parties will be present to witness the ceremony. The young people were both born and reared in the vicinity of Alvo, where their parents are among the leading residents of that section and where they have a host of friends. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. John Weichel of near Alvo, and in this section the newly-wedded couple will make their future home on a fine farm. The best wishes of a vast number of friends throughout the western and central parts of the county will be extended to the young couple on their journey out on the matrimonial sea and that their future wedded life may be full of joy and happiness.

Doan's Regulets are recommended by many who say they operate easily, without griping and without bad after effects. 25c at all drug stores.