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THE A. O. U. W. PULL OFF DELIGHT- FUL SOCIAL EVENT

One of the Most Pleasant Social Events in the History of This Ancient Order.

From Saturday's Daily.
One of the most delightful social events in the history of the Ancient Order of United Workmen lodges in this city was given last evening when the members of Lodge No. 8, together with their families, gathered at their hall to spend a few hours together, and the success of the affair far surpassed the expectations of those who arranged the affair. There were some one hundred present, both young and old, and everyone entered into the spirit of the occasion, and the different amusements provided, which were arranged with a view of meeting the tastes of everyone.

There were games of cards, as well as other games arranged for the old and young, and the lovers of the light fantastic were given a rare treat in treading the measures of the dance during the course of the evening. One of the most delightful features of the evening and one which came as a very pleasant surprise, was the vocal numbers given by Mrs. Eugene Setz, one of the talented vocalists of the city, who gave three most enjoyable selections, which were all enjoyed to the utmost, and this talented lady was heartily encored. In addition to these numbers several of the guests present gave selections on the piano which were much enjoyed. There was ample preparation made at the entertainment for the enjoyment of the inner man, and a sumptuous banquet was spread in the main hall of the building, where a great table stretching the whole length of the room, was fairly groaning under the weight of the good things to eat, and it is unnecessary to state that all present done full justice to the tempting dainties provided for them, and it was necessary to seat the second table to accommodate the happy crowd of members and their families.

The hall presented a very handsome appearance, being decorated with streamers of pink and green and made a pretty setting for the happy gathering. The success of the entertainment is very gratifying to the members of No. 8 and their families and such occasions serve to strengthen the fraternal ties that bind them together and gives everyone an opportunity to get acquainted with each other and to learn of the possibilities that can be secured by maintaining the friendly relations with each other by having meetings of this character.

PLATTSMOUTH TO HAVE ROLLER SKATING RINK

From Saturday's Daily.
A new roller skating rink is in prospect for this city in the near future, as Mr. Frank Dvorak of South Omaha was here yesterday looking over the situation with a view of placing one of these up-to-date amusement places in this city. He has about decided to open the rink in the Gorder building on lower Main street, which was occupied by the Olson Photograph company for the past few years in their photograph work. The building will be fixed up in first-class shape for the use of the new enterprise, and Mr. Dvorak will bring with him here a fine equipment of skates and furnish the young people of the city a good place to enjoy this sport.

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Makes Visit to Country.

From Saturday's Daily.
This morning Jacob Meisinger and wife came in from a few days' visit in the country at the home of their son, John Meisinger, jr., and while there Mr. Meisinger took advantage of the occasion to butcher his winter's supply of pork, and two of the choicest porkers on the farm were butchered and prepared for use during the coming winter, and this morning John and Geo. P. Meisinger drove in with their parents to bring the results of the butchering. While here the Meisinger boys called at the Journal office and paid a short social call, which was much appreciated, and advanced their subscription another year to the Old Reliable.

AN UNSUCCESS- FUL TRIP BUT LOTS OF FUN

Wolf Hunters Have Some Very Thrilling Experiences on Their Trip.

From Saturday's Daily.
Yesterday there was a wonderful display of artillery shown on the streets when the wolf hunting expedition advertised in the paper for the past few days moved out in pursuit of the elusive wolves, and were led by that mighty nimrod, Cap. "Bud" Rummerfeld, assisted by the mascot, Thomas Jett. The party proceeded up the sandbars along the Missouri and then followed the Platte in the direction of La Platte, where the wolves were supposed to lurk in large numbers, and many thrilling stories are told of the narrow escapes of the animals from frightful deaths at the hands of the hunters.

Near Orepolis the discovery was made by Mr. Rummerfeld of a large hole in the ground and he at once pictured a den of wild and bloodthirsty wolves lurking in there ready to dash forth in pursuit of the unwary traveler or some domestic animal, and he at once started to excavate the hole more in order to get in to the wolves. One of the party noticed that there was a hole going through to the other side, and going around opposite to where Mr. Rummerfeld was digging he discharged his gun and the digger ceased operations very rapidly and it is said that "Tom" turned perfectly white over the mysterious explosion. We do not, however, vouch for the truth of the story of the digging, but we know there was no application filed for bounties on the wolf pelts, which leads to the suspicion that there were not many of the animals secured.

COLD AND BLUSTERY WEATHER IS BENEFICIAL IN DRYING UP THE MUD

The cold weather and blustery wind of last night and early this morning which swept down on this city had one very pleasing effect—that of freezing up the mud, which for the past three days has been lying to the depth of several inches of the Main street of the city, and which has made it very disagreeable for those who have found it necessary to try and make it from one side of the street to the other, and for this reason the freezing weather will find a warm welcome from everyone. This afternoon it was much warmer and the streets began to show signs of having the mud thawed out again and if it does thaw sufficiently to make it possible, the streets should be cleaned up without delay, as the mud is certainly about as deep and disagreeable as it is possible to find it.

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Meet at Pollock Home as Guests of Miss Ellen, and Are Addressed by Father Shine.

From Friday's Daily.
Fountainelle Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution met last evening at the hospitable Pollock home, being the guests of Miss Ellen Pollock, and there were some thirty of the members of the order present to take part in the interesting and pleasurable meeting. The ladies had the pleasure last evening of being addressed by Rev. Father M. A. Shine, one of the most eminent authorities of historical data in the state, and his remarks were thoroughly enjoyed, and he made clear several points in regard to the early history of Nebraska which had long been unknown to a vast majority of the residents of the state.

Father Shine was introduced by Hon. R. B. Windham in a very happy manner. The speaker started with an outline of the people and customs of this section at a period estimated at some eighty years before the landing of the Pilgrims at Plymouth Rock, and he detailed the stories of the different expeditions of Spaniards and missionaries that had penetrated north from Mexico and the southern settlement, and from these expeditions and the data secured from them many interesting facts concerning the native inhabitants of Nebraska were learned. The lecture covered the period into the eighteenth century very clearly, and everyone at the gathering felt that it was certainly a rare pleasure to be able to listen to the remarks of this able scholar.

The gathering was also given two very pleasing musical offerings, in a vocal number by Miss Mathilde Vallery and a delightful instrumental selection by Miss Verna Cole, both of which were greatly enjoyed by the guests of the evening. There were a number of very interesting relics of the years gone by shown at the meeting, consisting of rare china and pewter plates, as well as cloth woven by the ancestors of the present generation, and these articles, filled as they were, with historical interest, attracted a great deal of attention. At an appropriate hour delicious and tempting refreshments were served, which proved also a very pleasant feature of the evening.

DOINGS IN DISTRICT COURT ON FRIDAY

A decree of divorce has been granted in the district court by Judge James T. Begler to Mrs. Ethel G. Neligh from Charles H. Neligh. The case was not contested by the defendant and the decree was prayed for in the petition granted.

Yesterday the day was taken up in the consideration of the case of I. M. Ward vs. James D. McCartney. This suit was for the collection of a fee of some \$100 for the sale of some land made by the plaintiff for the defendant. The case was tried before a jury composed of A. G. Reed, George Perry, Fred Majors, John Wehrlein, J. C. Lemon, James Alloway, J. C. Peterson, George Stoner, W. M. Philpot, Charles Spohn, Theodore Davis and Edward Eager. The plaintiff was represented by Sterling F. Muiz, while the defendant was represented by William Deles-Dernier and A. L. Tidd. The jury was out only a few minutes on the case, bringing in a verdict for the plaintiff in the sum prayed for.

Getting Along Nicely.

From Saturday's Daily.
The friends of Mrs. Chris Wohlfarth will be pleased to learn that she is getting along nicely at the hospital in Omaha and the prospects for her recovery are good, and that her family and friends can feel assured she will soon be able to return home.

Returns From Convention.

From Saturday's Daily.
R. L. Probst returned yesterday from attending the implement dealers' convention at Omaha. This has become an annual convention and each additional year finds a great improvement in the line of machinery, as well as the number of dealers attending.

GOSSIPERS CAUSED ALL THE TROUBLE

Mrs. Johnson Was the Victim of False Charges and Insanity Board So Declared.

From Friday's Daily.
Yesterday afternoon there was quite a large number of interested spectators present at the office of Sheriff Quinton, where the board of insanity was assembled to pass upon the case of Mrs. Frank Johnson, a resident of Wintersteen Hill, who was alleged to be insane by some of her neighbors. The hearing was delayed somewhat by the rounding up of the parties interested in the case, and it was almost 4 o'clock before the examination of the witnesses was commenced. After a few questions had been put to Mrs. Johnson by different members of the board it was quite evident that there was a "nigger in the woodpile" somewhere, as she answered in a perfectly sane manner, and while having great difficulty in understanding the questions put in the legal phrases, it was clear that she was not in the least insane, but that the whole matter had been the outgrowth of a row among the neighbors there over some gossip that had been circulated, and this was clearly proven when the complaining witness was placed on the stand, as she could give only what gossip had been repeated to her as a reason for thinking the woman insane, and the more she talked the more evident it was that the case was absolutely without foundation. The commissioners dismissed the case against Mrs. Johnson, after hearing all the evidence, and she returned to her home in company with her husband. Here is a case where the insanity commission, composed of busy professional men, were compelled to spend several hours on the case, only to find out that it originated in a lot of village gossip, and when the matter was thrashed out they all laid the matter on someone else and the matter was dismissed at the cost to the county to merely gratify the foolishness of a few parties who brought the complaint. There should be some facts before a complaint is filed and not have it done merely to try and gratify personal feeling against someone.

BEN WURL IS IN A CRITICAL CONDITION

The many friends of Mr. B. Wurl, one of our oldest and most highly respected citizens, will be greatly shocked to learn that he is lying at his home in a very critical condition, suffering from what seems to be a paralytic stroke and which has apparently affected the brain of this worthy old gentleman, and very grave doubts of his recovery are entertained, as he seems to be gradually growing worse. He was taken sick a few days ago, and at once became very low, and despite all that can possibly be done he is still in a very critical condition. His family and friends are still trusting that he may be able to rally, but his case seems to be almost too severe to found much hopes on his recovery.

Mask Ball Saturday.

On next Saturday evening the T. J. Sokol society will give their twenty-second annual ball at their hall on West Pearl street, and as usual a record-breaking crowd is looked forward to, as in the previous years the capacity of the hall has been taxed with the jolly crowd of maskers. Five big prizes are offered for the occasion and the dancing public is looking forward to a good time at this event. The Holly orchestra will furnish the music for the occasion.

Regular Castoria Week, 19c. Gering & Co. Phone 36.

FRANK BRINK- MAN HAS A CLOSE CALL

Caught Between Platform and Freight Car at the Freight Depot—Two Ribs Broken.

Frank Brinkman, one of the switchmen employed in the local yards of the Burlington had a very close call last evening from receiving a very serious if not fatal injury while engaged in the discharge of his duties. The switch crew were engaged, with the aid of the engine, in switching some cars near the freight depot, and when one of the cars was being switched he was unfortunately enough to be caught between the moving car and the platform of the depot and was struck with considerable force and was pinched between the platform and car, receiving severe bruises about the arms and shoulders, as well as having two ribs on the left side broken from the great force that pinned him between the platform and car. His condition was discovered by his fellow workmen, who at once extracted him and he was removed to the office of the company surgeon, where his injuries were looked after and he was made as comfortable as possible and was then removed to his home in the west part of the city.

He was reported as getting along nicely this morning, although he suffered a great deal of pain from the injuries. It is certainly a mighty close shave for Mr. Brinkman, as he could easily have received very serious internal injuries from the accident, as the force with which he was hurled against the platform was sufficient to crush him, and had he been a larger man would undoubtedly have terminated more seriously. As it is he will be off duty for some time.

May Locate in Plattsmouth.

From Friday's Daily.
James Rainey of Union came up this morning to look over the city with a view of locating here if he can find a place suited to him. Mr. Rainey has just sold out his livery business in Union to Blair Porter of that place, who will conduct the business in the future, and Mr. Rainey will look elsewhere for his new location, and seems to think Plattsmouth is just about the right place to make his home, and in coming here he certainly does not make a mistake.

BYRON QUICK GETS FINED FOR BEING DRUNK

This morning, with downfallen appearance Byron Quick stood before his honor, Judge M. Archer, to answer to the charge of being found in a state of intoxication by the police, and he was given an opportunity to explain "how it happened," but not being able to give a satisfactory explanation of the affair he was assessed a fine of \$2 and costs, amounting to \$5, which the court suspended to give him an opportunity to secure enough of the filthy lucre to settle the claim of outraged justice, and Byron quickly hurried forth into the bright winter morning to raise the much-needed funds.

Now Lives in This County.

From Saturday's Daily.
Yesterday R. D. Fenderman of Elmwood was in the city attending the session of district court. Mr. Fenderman is an old resident of this part of the state and was for a long period of years a resident of Otoe county, but has concluded to locate in the best county in the state and has removed to the vicinity of Elmwood and will make his home there in the future.

G. M. Patton Down Town.

G. M. Patton has been confined to his home for the past month on account of sickness. Mr. Patton was down town this morning, although not able to go back to work yet, and not feeling as well as he would like. His many friends trust that he will soon be himself again and be able to return to his work in the very near future.

Jesse Perry Getting Along Nicely.

Jesse Perry, who has been confined to his home for the past few days suffering from a severe attack of the grippe, is reported as getting along nicely and expects to be able to be out and down to his barber shop today to look after his business.

THE PLATTE MUTUAL INSUR- ANCE COMPANY

Splendid Showing Made by the Local Company During the Past Year.

The Platte Mutual Insurance company, one of the leading fire insurance companies in this section of the state, held their annual meeting in this city Saturday afternoon at the office of D. O. Dwyer, and it was attended by a large number of the stockholders of the company, and all were greatly pleased with the splendid manner in which the officers of the company has transacted the business during the past year.

This insurance organization has been in business for the past sixteen years and their advent into the insurance business in this city has provided insurance at a very low cost to the residents of this city and the number of persons holding policies in the Platte Mutual are gradually increasing year by year, as the public begins to realize the safety and strength of the company. The Platte Mutual now has \$19,500 per 1,000 for all insurance in force and the value of the policies are as strong as any of the old-line companies and can be secured at about half the cost of the older companies' policies. At the meeting Saturday the following were chosen as officers of the company:

President—H. M. Soennichsen. Vice President—D. O. Dwyer. Secretary—J. C. Peterson. Treasurer—Dr. C. A. Marshall. Directors—J. M. Vondran, T. E. Parmele, John Kopka.

DEATH OF A WELL KNOWN CITIZEN OF UNION

The Passing of Reson De Delaney Carries Universal Sorrow in the Community.

(Union Ledger.)
The death of this worthy citizen causes sorrow among all the people of this part of the county, who had known him for many years, but for several months it has been known that there was no chance for his recovery. He began failing in health about three years ago, and since that time he has sought relief by consulting some of the best of the medical profession, but at no time was he given any encouragement as to recovery. The past year he has failed rapidly, and the last time he was able to come out on the street was June 11, gradually losing strength all the time. Sunday morning he became much worse, and then it was evident that he could survive only a few hours, but he remained conscious to the last moment of his life. The funeral services were conducted by the Modern Woodman order, of which he had been a member for many years, this arrangement being at his request, and were held at 10 o'clock Monday forenoon at the home. There was singing, followed by prayer and a few remarks by Rev. W. A. Taylor, after which the members of the Woodman lodge rendered their beautiful ritual burial service, and the remains were taken to the cemetery, northeast of this village, for interment. At the cemetery the Woodmen had charge and the pall-bearers were six of the deceased brother's members—Frank Bauer, Harry Frans, W. B. Banning, Elmer Chapman, Joe Banning and Louis Anderson.

For Sale.

One section, 640 acres wheat land, in Franklin county, Washington. Land rolling, but not rough. All plowed spring of 1912; no waste land. First crop wheat 25 bushels per acre raised in 1907. Located 2 miles north of Kahlotus; 2 railroads. All fenced. Price, \$22.50 per acre, on easy terms. Good opportunity for farmer with boys who want large farm. Owner an invalid. Must sell. For particulars write owner, W. C. Sampson, P. O. Box 326, Plattsmouth, Neb. 12-11-1mo-w