

## NEW CLUB HOUSE IS SURE A BEAUTY

Elks' Home Nearing Completion and Is One of the Handsomest in the State.

Yesterday the writer paid a short visit to the new club house of the Elks' lodge on North Sixth street, and it is wonderful the progress that is being made on the building, both on the exterior and interior.

The masons employed on the building are getting along in fine shape with the stucco work, and while there were many who thought that it would not stand the wear and tear, they are now convinced that it is as solid as reinforced concrete and will make a beautiful finish for the building, the side walls and back of which will be in the gray stucco, while the front is finished in the fancy red ornamental brick, white stucco will be used on the paneling of the porch and the whole exterior of the building is one of beauty and a simple dignity that makes the building a very imposing one.

The entrance to the building is from the north side, and here one can go either into the reading room or the billiard room. The reading room is as handsome as can possibly be found in any building in the state, the ceiling and wall being finished in tints of cream and brown, while the woodwork here, as well as throughout the building, is the dark mission finish, and the artistic eye of T. S. Clifford, one of the five wires of No. 739, can be seen in the beautiful manner the rooms have been finished up. In the reading room a section of the room has been arranged with a paneling of the dark stained mission oak, which paneling makes a cosy little writing room, and here a desk and all the trimmings will be provided for the members who desire to pen a few lines to friends. Two electric lights will ornament the posts of the ornamental paneling, while the room will be lighted with reflex lights in softened glass shades that makes a charming appearance.

From the reading room one passes through the double doors into the billiard room, where the walls and ceiling have been touched in shades of green and the electric fixtures are thoroughly in keeping with the color tones of the room, with the lamps suspended by great chains from the ceiling to their places over the billiard and pool tables. On the main floor will also be the card rooms and buffet, both finished in tones of cream and dark wood, and here, as in the other rooms, the main light will be from highly ornamental glass reflected lights that will furnish ample light for the rooms.

The second floor of the building is more nearly completed than the first floor, as much of the decorative work on the walls has been finished. The dining room, a large, handsome and commodious place, has been decorated in a very elaborate and artistic manner. Leading off from this is the kitchen, and here everything is as handy as could possibly be asked for, as a large cabinet cupboard across one side of the room makes a storing place for the eatables, and the kitchen is connected with the first floor by a dumb waiter.

A small hallway connects the dining room and the lodge room and dance hall, and this is the largest and most beautifully appointed lodge room in the city and the floor, which is of highly polished hard wood, will make one of the best dance floors in the city. The color scheme of the hall tends toward pinks, from the lightest to the darkest shades. The floors of the entire building are of good substantial hard

wood and will be subjected to a high polish that makes them appear very handsome.

The new porch on the front of the building can only be reached from the interior, and by this means there will be no outsiders hanging around the building.

## SERIOUSLY INJURED BY SLIPPING FROM CAR

Man Attempting to Beat His Way Has Right Arm Greatly Mangled by Cars.

Last night about midnight an accident occurred near the curve bridge on the Burlington railroad just this side of Pacific Junction that will probably result in the loss of the right arm of John Inseho of 2409 B street, South Omaha. He, in company with John Dillenbach of South Omaha, was engaged in beating their way from South Omaha to Pacific Junction on train No. 74, and, according to statements of the injured man, he attempted to climb down from the box car on which he was riding, and in doing so slipped and fell between the cars, as he says he pushed himself out from beneath the cars as rapidly as possible, but his right hand and forearm had not cleared the track when the merciless wheels of the cars ran over the member, crushing it in terrible shape and almost severing it from the remainder of the arm.

As soon as the accident was discovered the man was taken on into Pacific Junction, and Dr. L. B. Bacon called to look after him, and he was placed on a car and brought to Plattsmouth at about 2:30, and taken to the office of the company surgeons, Drs. Livingston, where the injury was dressed as much as possible and he was sent this morning to the hospital at Omaha, where the arm will probably have to be amputated near the elbow joint.

The man resides with his mother, a widow, in South Omaha, and is unmarried, and his attempt to secure a cheap ride has cost him very dearly. He was suffering a great deal from the injury as he was taken to the metropolis this morning on the early Missouri Pacific train, and will carry a lasting lesson against the practice of attempting to steal rides on the freight trains.

## MISS FLORENCE CORY "QUEEN OF THE CARNIVAL" GETS DIAMOND RING

The contest for the queen of the Redmen's carnival closed last evening at the carnival grounds, when, as a result of the balloting, Miss Florence Cory was selected for the honor, and received the handsome diamond ring that has been displayed at the McElwain jewelry store for the past week. Miss Cory was selected by a lead of some 4,100 votes over her nearest opponent, Miss Ella Neumann. After the announcement of the result of the contest, the queen was brought onto the upraised platform prepared for the occasion and presented to the crowd. The ring which was given for the contest was a very handsome one and the successful winner feels very proud over the trophy and for the assistance of her friends in the contest.

Miss Cory will be the guest of the management of the Allman Bros.'s shows the remainder of the week.

Genuine Fletcher's Castoria, this week only at 19c. Gering & Co., the Spot Cash Family Druggists. Phone 36.

The Journal ads pay.

## BURGLARS PAY A VISIT TO THE CITY LAST NIGHT

City Visited by a Number of Robbers, Who Break Into Houses, Securing Small Returns.

Last evening about 8:30 the residence of Edward Cotner on North Sixth street was visited by burglars, and as a result the family is mourning the loss of the silverware and several razors belonging to Mr. Cotner, which the visitor secured and made away with. The unwelcome visitor gained entrance to the house by forcing the front door open, and entered with the demand that Mrs. Cotner, who was home alone, hand over the valuables, and on her refusal threatened to do her violence, but she managed to escape from the house, and despite the commands of the man to stop, ran across the street to secure help, but finding there was apparently none of the neighbors home, she started to town to secure assistance. She came on to the business part of town and hastened to the Manspeaker barn, where her husband is employed, and he at once notified the authorities and hastened to his home, only to find that the visitor had flown, taking the spoils with him. The man was described as a rather small-sized heavy set man and wore a mask over his face, concealing his countenance from view. A determined search was made by the police and a number of suspicious characters rounded up, but there was none of the missing articles found on them.

## THE CONTINENTAL GAS AND ELECTRIC LIGHT CO. WILL HOLD BANQUET

There will be a meeting held in this city next Tuesday and Wednesday of the business manager and commercial solicitors of the Continental Gas and Electric Light company, which includes among its property that of the Nebraska Lighting company of this city. The meeting will be for the purpose of talking over the plans of the company for the advancement of the business interests of the concern and for the improvements in the different towns in which the company operates. Plattsmouth is the most central point from the Iowa and Nebraska cities where the company has plants and was selected as the ideal meeting place. A business session on Tuesday will be followed by a banquet at the Hotel Riley in the evening, at which the different managers will give short addresses on matters tending to improving the workings of the company. There will be representatives present from York, Beatrice, Louisville and Plattsmouth, Nebraska, and Griswold, Red Oak, Shenandoah, Malvern, Emerson, Hastings, Elliott, Macedona, Villisca, and Glenwood, Iowa.

Will Be Here for Celebration. Word has just been received here that C. E. Wescott, the founder of C. E. Wescott's Sons, will arrive here next Tuesday, May 19, from his home at Los Angeles, California, to attend the thirty-fifth anniversary of the establishment of the store in this city.

Beautiful Shottland Ponies for sale at all times, for the next 100 years, unless I die in the meantime. I have now an extra fine stallion, the best in the state, for sale. Well broke for both harness and saddle. Wm. Gilmour, Plattsmouth, Neb. R. F. D. No. 4.

## Pepper Grass.

Never before in the history of this country, as far as the old settlers go, was there ever as much pepper grass as there is everywhere. It is in the pastures, lawns and other places, and it is the most difficult thing to keep it down anywhere. It is claimed that the big crop is because of the exceedingly dry weather of last year, when this grass seemed to thrive when all else died out and therefore had a chance to seed down everything and in every direction. It is claimed it will take four or five years to kill it out again, because it is not like dandelions, it will not thrive where it is overgrown and crowded out.—Nebraska City News.

## TO CELEBRATE BIG EVENT HERE

Have Been in Business Thirty-five Years Here in Plattsmouth.

The firm of C. E. Wescott's Sons of this city are actively engaged in the completion of arrangements for the celebration of their thirty-fifth anniversary of their large clothing store located here. The announcements have been mailed out to their patrons and friends to assist in the celebration during the coming week, when the store will take on a festive air in honor of the notable occasion in the life of this firm. The event has attracted a great deal of attention from the trade journals and in outside cities, as there are few firms that can boast of a record such as the Wescott store possesses. Founded in 1879 by C. E. Wescott, who had just come to Plattsmouth from the east, the firm has been in business continually since that time, and Mr. Wescott continued as the head of the firm until a few years ago, when he retired from active business life and turned the store over to his two sons, C. C. and E. H. Wescott, who had been associated with him in the business, and these gentlemen have continued the management of the store, following out the same progressive lines as laid down by the founder on embarking in business.

The Wescotts have made it a part of their policy to see that the store is advanced in keeping with the progress of the commercial world and have labored to supply their trade with all the latest offerings of the market, and in keeping with this policy have equipped their store with the latest fixtures that can be found in any store of the country. The firm has also placed their store building in excellent shape and have a new front in their structure containing some of the finest show windows in the city, and these are kept up in a manner that would reflect credit upon the large city stores.

The progress of this firm should be a matter of pride to the city, and the fact that they are to celebrate their thirty-fifth anniversary the occasion for congratulation to the founder, who will be here from his home in Los Angeles, California, and his sons, who are the active heads of the establishment. It is a record that few business houses in small towns can point to, and the anniversary will be a happy event for Mr. Wescott and the firm.

## Automobile Owners!

I have just employed a mechanic who is an expert on self-starter magnets, etc. Bring in your car if you have any trouble. All kinds of repairing solicited. Smith's Garage, Plattsmouth. 4-18-1wk-d-1mowkly

For Sale. 100 bu. millet seed at \$1.00 per bu. Inquire of Ed Worl, 7 miles south of Plattsmouth and 4 miles northeast of Murray. 5-11-31wkly

## FIFTY YEARS OF WEDDED BLISS IS PASSED

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Becker Celebrate Golden Wedding by an Elaborate 6 O'Clock Dinner.

Yesterday was the golden wedding anniversary of two of Plattsmouth's most highly esteemed residents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Becker, and in commemoration of the event they entertained last evening at a most delightful 6 o'clock dinner the members of their family and a few intimate friends and neighbors, and the occasion was one filled with the greatest of pleasure to all in being able to gather with these worthy people on the anniversary that marked the half century of their happy wedded life.

The rooms of the Becker home were decorated most charmingly in pink and white roses, while the handsomely appointed dining table was decorated with a great bouquet of deep yellow roses, whose golden hue was in keeping with the spirit of the golden wedding, and as the guests gathered round the festal board there was a feeling of the greatest joy and the bride and groom of fifty years ago felt deeply the pleasures of the day that allowed them to have with them their children to celebrate the day.

John H. Becker and Miss Harriett Fuller were united in the holy bonds of wedlock May 12, 1864, at Pekin, Illinois, where they both resided, and near where they continued to make their home until thirty-six years ago, when they came farther west to locate and rear their family and settled on the farm in Eight Mile Grove precinct, where so many happy years were passed, and here, through the industry and care of the husband and wife they accumulated a handsome fortune that will give them the opportunity to enjoy their declining years in comfort and pleasure.

The seven children of Mr. and Mrs. Becker, George Becker, W. A. Becker, Mrs. G. A. Kaftenberger, Ed Becker, Philip Becker, Mrs. Charles Peacock and Mrs. Frank A. Clodd, together with their families, were present last evening to take part in the celebration of the anniversary. To Mr. and Mrs. Becker the hearty best wishes of the entire circle of old friends here will be extended on their completion of the golden year of wedded life, and a wish that they may live to celebration many more years in the community where they have for so long made their home.

## M. G. KIME FILES FOR REPRESENTATIVE ON DEMOCRATIC TICKET

From Tuesday's Daily. This morning M. G. Kime, one of the rock-ribbed democrats of Nebraska precinct, filed in the office of the county clerk his name as a candidate for the office of representative for the seventh district. Mr. Kime is one of the leading farmers in his section of the county and is a wide-awake business man who can be depended upon to look after the interests of the people if they select him as their representative in the state legislature. Mr. Kime has never been an officeholder, but has taken a great interest in the affairs of the county and has always been found on the side of the people in the different questions that have come up for consideration. This is the first filing for the office on either ticket. The office is at present filled by John J. Guston of Murdock, who represented Cass county at the last session of the legislature.

## Has Finger Injured.

Yesterday afternoon C. A. Johnson, employed in the coach shop of the Burlington, had the misfortune to get one of his fingers caught by a scraper hook and mashed up considerably, but not sufficient as to incapacitate him from work, and after having it dressed he was able to resume his duties.

## FIRE COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE VISIT PLATTSMOUTH

The fire commission from the different insurance companies of the state that visited here on Tuesday to inspect the buildings in the business section of the city, were well pleased with the showing made here in the manner in which the different buildings were looked after and they expressed their pleasure to Mr. J. E. Barwick, one of the agents in this city for the leading insurance companies, of the way the fire protection of the city was looked after by the property owners and tenants of the different buildings. That the gentlemen who came here to investigate the condition of affairs should feel well pleased over the situation is a matter of congratulation to the property owners of the city and they should spare no means to see that there is every possible precaution taken to prevent a dangerous fire breaking out here in the business section of the city by keeping their premises free of all rubbish and trash that might be the cause of fire. Plattsmouth has been most fortunate in the respect of fires in the past few years and the campaign for safety in regard to this should be kept right at the front and every improvement made that is possible to keep the record clean in this respect.

## ENFORCING THE LAW COMPELLING CHILDREN TO ATTEND SCHOOL

Yesterday afternoon Harry Wilcox was fined \$5 in Judge Archer's court for failure to comply with the compulsory school law of the state that requires the attendance of children at school unless there is a good and sufficient excuse in the health of the child that makes it necessary for them to remain out of school, Ed, the son of Mr. Wilcox, has been absent a great deal from school and for long periods and the authorities decided to try and see if his attendance could not be secured, but without success, and it was decided to invoke the law to see what effect could be secured. The court remitted the fine in the case provided the boy appears in school today and remains during the balance of the school year. The task of enforcing this law is a most painful one to the school authorities, but it sometimes becomes necessary and in after years the pupils will feel grateful that they were compelled to attend school, when they realize fully the value of an education, and it was with this aim in view, that of protecting the growing generation from ignorance, that the law was enacted, and the school officials propose to see that it is enforced to the letter in the future.

## Residence for Sale.

Two-story brick on Main and 8th streets, contains 8 rooms, not including bath room and closets. Beautifully located and modern fixtures. Two and a half lots, with trees, barn and out-houses. For further particulars address Silas Long, 648 N. 26th St., Lincoln, Neb. 4-8-1mo-d&w

Eggs for hatching from S. C. Rhode Island Reds, \$1.00 per 15; \$5.00 per 100. Extra choice matings, \$2.00 and \$3.00 per 15. A. O. Range.

## THE DAY WE PAY TRIBUTE TO FALLEN HEROES

A Splendid Program for Observation of Decoration Day Is Being Arranged.

The committee that is arranging for the observation of Decoration day is getting along nicely with their plans and the day promises to be one of the finest that has been held here in recent years. The exercises in the afternoon will be held in the Parmele theater, and as the orator of the day, Mr. Matthew Gering, has been secured by the old soldiers, which is a guarantee that there will be an exceptionally fine treat in the way of an address on the spirit of the day hallowed to the memory of the sleeping heroes of the nation. In addition to the oration there will be the reading of the Gettysburg address of President Lincoln, as well as a number of musical selections from some of the talented musicians of the city.

The citizens in general are taking a deep interest in the observation of the day this year and all are getting into line to see that the proper honor is shown to the boys in blue who are still spared to us, as well as those who long since have answered the last roll call and have been mustered out of service in the earthly grand army. It has also been arranged to hold exercises at the Parmele in the evening, when a musical program will be given that will be filled with selections from the patriotic songs of the war times, and to assist in this work a chorus of ninety voices from the children in the public schools has been secured and they are constantly being drilled in their work, and by the date set will be in fine shape to take part in the program. The leading musicians of the city will also be present to furnish a number of very fine solo numbers.

The awakening interest of the public in the celebration of the day is one that speaks well for the patriotism of the citizens and they will result in the teaching of a great lesson in love of our country to the new generation just starting out in life. All should unite in the keeping up of the spirit of Decoration day, as there's no more beautiful custom than that of honoring the fallen heroes of the nation.

## Pleasant Birthday Party.

Wednesday evening, May 6, a large number of young people, about 68, gathered at the home of Mrs. Mary Schafer and tendered her daughter, Miss Rosa, a very pleasant surprise, the occasion being in honor of her birthday anniversary. The evening hours were whiled away in music and games, which were thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. Misses Matie Urish, Helen Bencher, Laura Puls and Rosa Schafer contributed a number of instrumental selections, which greatly assisted in making this event a very happy one. The jolly company had come well armed with well filled baskets, and at 12 o'clock an excellent luncheon was served. At a late hour everybody departed for their homes, declaring Miss Rosa a royal entertainer and wishing her many more such happy birthdays.

## Farm for Sale.

Farm of 121 acres, 5 1/2 miles northeast of Union; 14 acres hay land, 20 acres pasture timber, rest in cultivation; well improved. Price right if taken soon. Address Miss Etta Nickels, Murray, Neb.

For baby's croup, Willie's daily cuts and bruises, mamma's sore throat, grandma's lameness.—Dr. Thomas' Eucalypti Oil—the household remedy. 25c and 50c.