

ANNUAL EAGLES' PICNIC!

The Annual Picnic of Plattsmouth Aerie, No. 365, F. O. E., will be held at Koukal's Grove, one mile West and one North of Plattsmouth, Neb.,

Sunday, August 16, 1914

Everybody Come—Bring Your Family and a Basket Lunch and have a good time. Automobiles and Carryalls will convey Passengers to and from the Grounds.

Music by Plattsmouth Orchestra

Local News

From Friday's Daily.
John Bergman was a visitor in this city yesterday afternoon and a pleasant caller at this office.

Mrs. Jesse L. Root and little daughter were in the city for a few hours today, coming down from their home in Omaha on No. 23.

Miss Minnie Ploeger was among the passengers this morning for Omaha, where she will spend the day looking after some matters of business in that city.

Mrs. George A. Kaffenberger and daughter, Miss Gladys, were among the passengers this morning for Omaha, where they will visit for the day in that city looking after some business matters.

James Liepert was a passenger on the early Burlington train for Omaha this morning, where he was called to look after some matters in that city for a few hours.

C. A. McReynolds and daughter, Miss Pearl, and son, James, of Murray came up to this city on the evening train yesterday to attend to some important business matters, and while here made this office a very pleasant call.

Charles F. Guthman, who has been here for the past few months visiting his mother, Mrs. F. R. Guthman, and other relatives and friends, departed yesterday afternoon on No. 23 for Murphy, Idaho, where he has extensive business interests that demand his attention.

Fred Rezener and wife came in last evening from their home at Alliance, where Mr. Rezener is employed as a foreman for the Burlington in their shops there. Mr. Rezener and wife will visit at the home of Mrs. Rezener's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Tams, west of this city, during their stay here.

Charles Freese has purchased a farm in Minnesota and departed Wednesday morning for his new home. His horses were driven to Omaha, where they were loaded on the cars. Charley will make the trip in his auto, starting on the journey Wednesday. He will return to this county to gather his corn crop this fall.

From Saturday's Daily.
Mrs. V. M. Mullis and daughter, Mrs. Robert Newell, were passengers this afternoon for Omaha, where they will visit for a few days with friends.

W. F. Gillespie of Mynard was a passenger this morning for Omaha, where he was called to look after some business matters for a few hours.

Galen Rhoden came in this morning from his farm home near Murray to look after some trading with the merchants for a few hours.

Miss Ida Boedeker of Murray came up this morning from her

home, in company with her father, C. H. Boedeker, and was a passenger on the early Burlington train for Omaha, where she will visit for the day.

William Starkjohn was a passenger this morning for Omaha, where he will visit for the day at the hospital with some friends.

John E. Schutz and wife were passengers this afternoon for Omaha, where they will spend the day looking after some business affairs.

Mrs. J. M. Hall and daughter, Miss Myrtle, were passengers this afternoon on No. 23 for Omaha, where they will visit with friends for a few hours.

Edward McHugh of Falls City came up last evening from his home for an over Sunday visit here at the home of his sister, Mrs. Thomas Walling and family.

Philip E. Tritsch and family were here this afternoon looking after some business matters with the merchants, driving in from their farm home, west of this city.

Adam Hill of the vicinity of Mynard, was here today for a few hours, visiting with his many friends and looking after some matters of business with the merchants.

Martin Houck came down this morning from Omaha to visit with his old friends in this city for a few hours, having a short layoff from his duties in that city with the Burlington.

Mrs. Roy Dodge of Omaha is here for a short visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Ruffner, and at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Dodge, the parents of her husband.

Rev. A. F. Ploetz and wife of Scotland, S. D., who have been here for the past few weeks visiting with their relatives in this city and vicinity, departed this morning for their home, going on the early Burlington train.

Miss Margurite Hiatt of Sidney, and sister, of the same place, were Pacific Junction visitors on Wednesday. Miss Margurite will teach the grammar department of the Pacific Junction schools next year.—Glenwood Tribune.

Miss Hiatt is a sister of Mrs. F. R. Gobelman of this city.

FORMER HEAD OF KEARNEY NORMAL SCHOOL VISITS PLATTSMOUTH

From Friday's Daily.
Prof. A. O. Thomas, former head of the Kearney Normal school, and at present a candidate for the office of state superintendent of schools, was in the city today visiting among our people and getting acquainted. Mr. Thomas achieved a great deal of attention from his famous fight with the state normal school board, and in his home town of Kearney is immensely popular, as the people there believe him to be the victim of bitter personal enemies. He is making a strong canvass for the office of superintendent, and if successful there will probably be something doing in that office, as the office of superintendent was involved in the normal school warfare.

Cut the Weeds.
Now is the proper time for all farmers to mow the weeds along their farms. The law provides for a penalty for failure to do between the 15th of July and the 15th of August. While the law has set the above date, now is the time to mow them, as the greatest good can be accomplished at this time. I would advise all the farmers along the highways of our district to get after them just as soon as possible, while they can be cut much easier. A. F. Seybert, Road Overseer Dist. No. 2.

To Undergo an Operation.
From Friday's Daily.
Last evening Everett Gooding was taken to Omaha, where he will be operated on for appendicitis, as his condition was such that the physicians in attendance decided that this could afford the only relief. He was taken to the metropolis on the Missouri Pacific and was met at the depot by Jesse Pery, who conveyed him to the hospital, where the operation will be performed. The friends of Everett are anxiously awaiting word from his bedside and trusting that his recovery will be rapid.

Buy your stationery at the Journal office.

The Best Flour on the Market



Manley Well Represented.
Manley was pretty well represented at the ball game in this city Sunday afternoon, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. John Rauth and family, their son, Erwin, being a member of the Manley team. John Tighe and family came down in their auto and were accompanied by Misses Anna and Agnes Tighe. Miss Anna just arrived home from Chicago last Saturday evening, where she has been holding a position as trained nurse for some time. She will make her home folks a visit. James Carper and family came down in their auto, also quite a number of others.

From Nehawka.
Henry Shoemaker and Leo Switzer, from near Nehawka, were Plattsmouth visitors last Saturday, spending a few hours with county seat friends. They were pleasant callers at the Journal office.

Completing Fine Barn.
One of the Journal's mighty good friends from near Manley, George N. Schafer, was in the city last Saturday, accompanied by his nephew, Adam Schafer, from west of Murray. While here Mr. Schafer made the Journal office a brief call, renewing for his paper another year. He tells us that he has been working on and almost completed a fine new barn for Adam Schafer that is one of the finest in that locality. The foundation for several feet high is made of concrete, and the structure is a large one and complete in every detail for the housing of his stock and ample storage of all grain. The Schafers are among the best farmers of Cass county and up-to-date in everything about their farms.

Public Sale!

The undersigned will sell at Public Auction at the Lewis farm, 1 mile west of Plattsmouth, on **MONDAY, AUGUST 17th, 1914,** commencing at 1 o'clock sharp, the following described property, to-wit:
One mare and colt.
One gray horse.
One brown horse.
One No. 1 fresh milk cow.
One good milk cow, fresh in January.
One 3-year-old heifer and calf.
Two calves.
Two sows and twelve shoats.
One mowing machine.
One wagon.
One plow.
One harrow.
One U. S. cream separator.
One hay rack.
One side spring buggy.
Two sets of double harness.
Household goods, nearly new, and numerous other articles.

Terms of Sale—All sums of \$10.00 and under, cash in hand; on all sums over \$10.00 a credit of six months will be given, purchaser giving good bankable note bearing 7 per cent interest from date. All property must be settled for before being removed.
C. H. FULLER,
Q. K. Parmelo, Auctioneer.
Geo. E. Dovey, Clerk.

Remarkable Cure of Dysentery.
"I was attacked with dysentery about July 15th, and used the doctor's medicine and other remedies with no relief, only getting worse all the time. I was unable to do anything and my weight dropped from 145 to 125 pounds. I suffered for about two months when I was advised to use Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. I used two bottles of it and it gave me permanent relief," writes B. W. Holl, of Snow Hill, N. C. For sale by all dealers.

Carl Holmber and wife departed last evening for Duluth, Minnesota, where they will attend the wedding of a cousin in that city and visit the different points of interest in that section of Minnesota.

GERMOZONE'S Big Value
It is not so much in its great efficiency as a remedy for roup, canker, chicken pox and other diseases of poultry, but in its being the greatest bowel regulator in the world for either poultry or stock (including pet stock), counteracting, especially, bowel troubles due to musty, spoiled or improper food. With man, fowls or animals, regular bowels means health. Continued irregularity means some sickness, difficult to cure if not fatal. Thousands give Germozone regularly twice a week to chickens, young and old, at the same time having it ever handy as a ready remedy for other diseases. Sold by dealers or postpaid. One size only, 50 cents.

LACKING KNOWLEDGE GOD'S PEOPLE PERISH

"My People Are Destroyed For Lack of Knowledge."

KEY OF KNOWLEDGE BURIED

Jesus' Teachings Harmonized the Law and the Prophets—Jewish Doctors of Divinity Had Failed to Teach the Deep Things of the Law—Opposition to Bible Study—Common People Heard Jesus Gladly—Jewish People Typical of Spiritual Israel—Jewish Age Typical of Gospel Age—Jewish Harvest Typical of Gospel Harvest.



August 9.—The Photo-Drama of Creation continues to awaken deep interest in Bible study. Its orderly presentation of the world's masterpieces of art illustrating sacred history impresses the thoughtful spectator. Every subject dear to the Christian's heart is beautifully depicted. Pastor Russell preached today from the text, "Woe unto you, lawyers! for ye have taken away the Key of Knowledge; ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered." (Luke 11:52) He said in part:
In the New Testament the word lawyer has a very different meaning from our general usage. It applied to those religious teachers of the Jews who made special professions of sanctity and earnest desire to know God's will, as expressed in the Mosaic Law, and to teach the same to the people. The corresponding class of today are designated Doctors of Divinity. Our text, therefore, with this correction reads, "Woe unto you, Doctors of Divinity! for ye have taken away the Key of Knowledge; ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered."

Common People Heard Jesus Gladly.

It was the custom amongst the Jews that lessons from the Law and the Prophets should be read every day in their synagogues. The people were thus familiar with the letter of the Divine Law and promises. The majority of them were, of course, illiterate; for educational facilities were not then what they are now. As a result, only a few claimed to have a knowledge of the spiritual part of the Law and the Prophets. These were chiefly of the literary and wealthy classes. To these the common people looked for guidance respecting God's will and plan. As an illustration: When the common people heard Jesus gladly, they were unwilling to trust their own judgments, but inquired, "Have any of the Scribes and Pharisees believed on Him?" Have the Doctors of the Law, the Doctors of Divinity, endorsed Him? They have made a study of these things, and we would rely more upon their judgment than upon our own. But not one of the Scribes and the Pharisees endorsed Him, and hence few of the people believed on Him and became His disciples.

The common people were hungry for the Message which Jesus brought. It is recorded that they said of Jesus' teachings: "Never man spake like this man." The nation would have gone over promptly to Jesus had the Scribes and the Pharisees, Doctors of the Law, set the example and given the word. Moreover, the teachings of Jesus harmonized the message of the Law and the Prophets, over which the Scribes and Pharisees and the Sadducees had long wrangled and disputed. Had the Doctors of the Law been as hungry for the Truth as were the people, undoubtedly all of their differences of interpretation of the Old Testament Scriptures would have been speedily removed in the light of the then Present Truth and knowledge of God, which was shining upon the Bible through the Holy Spirit, Jesus and the Apostles being Jehovah's mouthpieces.

The Key of Knowledge Buried.

In our text Jesus charged the Jewish Doctors of Divinity with the responsibility of having taken away the Key of Knowledge, refusing to use it themselves to enter into appreciation of the great blessings due, and hiding it from the common people, who trusted them implicitly. We charge that the same thing is true today.
Not only were the Jewish people typical of Spiritual Israel, and their Age typical of this Age, and their Harvest typical of the Harvest, or closing time, of this Age, but additionally, now as then, God's people perish for lack of knowledge. (Hosea 4:6) Now, as then, the Doctors of Divinity will not use the Key of Knowledge themselves, to enter heartily into the wonderful privileges and blessings now due, and additionally they have buried the Key of Knowledge, hiding it from the people under a mass of forms and ceremonies.
But is Knowledge Necessary?
In our Lord's day the Jewish Doctors of Divinity, or Rabbis, contented themselves with telling the people what they should do and what they

should not do, but did not teach the people—did not help them to any understanding of the deep meaning of the Law and the Prophets. In our context Jesus said to them, You bind heavy burdens upon the people, grievous to be borne, but you do not attempt to carry them yourselves.
So is it today with the Jewish Rabbis, as well as with other ministers; for instance, a minister stands as a representative and mouthpiece of the church creed, which in roundabout terms declares that whoever does not live a saintly life will suffer an eternity of torment. Is not this a grievous burden to put upon any conscientious soul? Has it not caused untellable anguish to many of God's true people? Has it not driven away from God and the Bible thousands of the most intelligent minds in the world?

As the Jewish Doctors of Divinity carried no such burdens, neither do the Doctors of Divinity of Christendom. In private they acknowledge that they carry no such burdens. In public they give the inference that they do—not so much by positive terms as by implication, tone and inflection of the voice, and by the general fact that they stand for and are representatives of the creeds which so teach. It does not excuse these influential teachers for them to claim that in their official capacity they lose their personal responsibility and shift it upon those who made the creeds and those who adopt them. The people are no longer trusting the creeds. They realize that the creeds contain many inconsistencies, and that greater light is shining today from one page of the Bible upon another than shone in the days when those creeds were formulated.

The common people trust the Bible—Jesus, the Apostles and the Prophets. They know that all the creeds of Christendom claim to be built upon the inspired Record. They understand the Scribes and Pharisees of today, the Doctors of Divinity of Christendom, to give assurances that those creeds properly present the teachings of the Bible. The creedal chains would become ropes of sand if all the prominent Doctors of Divinity of Christendom came forward and publicly renounced the creeds, as they nearly all do in private conversation.

It was this matter of misleading the people, deceiving them, that constituted the basis of Jesus' charge against the Doctors of Divinity of old; and we believe that His judgment is very similar today respecting the Doctors of Divinity of Christendom—"Ye have taken away [ye have hidden] the Key of Knowledge, and them that were entering in ye hindered."
Christian people today are so disgusted with the creeds which have separated them and their forefathers into six hundred different denominations that they are quite ready to discard all creeds, and to come together as one Church of the Living God to study the Bible in its own light.

Systematic Key-Hiding.

The Scribes and Pharisees of our day are proving themselves to be the antitypes of those addressed by Jesus in our text, and have a substitute for knowledge. Taking away the Key of Knowledge, they say to the common people, "Do not bother your head about doctrines; leave doctrines to the clergy; let the clergy endorse all the creeds, however conflicting they be. We do this in order to lull you to sleep. There is nothing so disturbing to the Christian's rest as the discussion of the doctrines of Christ."

"If there be in any congregation those who cannot feel satisfied without some kind of Bible study, let them have it; but get them rather to discuss the geography of Palestine and the habits and customs of the people, etc., than the prophecies of old or the interpretation of them, as given by Jesus and the Apostles. We ministers will keep aloof from such Bible study; we will leave the impression that we understand these prophecies perfectly, and we will keep a watch upon the Bible classes, but will interfere only when we find some brother therein who is inclined to delve after the doctrines of Christ and the Apostles."

One minister, voicing this opposition to Bible study, especially along the lines of difference where it would be of special value, said, "The Church is like a great hospital. Everything like doctrinal discussion must be banished and excluded, just as in a hospital all patients are forbidden, in order that the patient may sleep; or just as in a nursery all noise is excluded."

Alas! It is too true that the nominal Church of Christ is like a hospital, many of the patients in which are blind, deaf, asleep and mentally confused. But the trouble is that these get into this condition because of a neglect of healthful exercise; and the keeping of them quiet will but turn the present hospital into a cemetery.

What the churches of all the denominations need is the Word of God—as presented in the words of Jesus and the Apostles. "The words that I speak unto you, they are spirit and they are life," said the Master. The sick and lame, the blind, deaf and mentally perplexed need to hear the voice of Truth—"Wonderful Words of Life"—otherwise they will become more sick and will perish as Christians, only to become alive perhaps as "lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God." An Episcopal minister in our hearing urged his congregation to simple rest, and not to bother themselves about their own future or that of others. The Holy Catholic Church, he said, resembled a ship, in which the members should come as passengers to be carried to the Heavenly destination. They need not examine the compass or the chart or the machinery. All that they need to do is to sit down and enjoy the journey, trusting that their hap-

py may not be the very spirit have given them a ticket to a proper destination.
Necessity For Knowledge.
Knowledge of God, the Bible declares, is indispensable for the attainment of the great Prize of the High Calling. Thus Jesus said, "This is life eternal, that they might know Thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom Thou hast sent." (John 17:3) We are not to understand this to signify that any one who has merely been made acquainted with the fact that there is one Creator, and that Jesus Christ is His Son, is on account of this knowledge to be granted everlasting life. Some apparently think to be able to make void the various Scriptures which tell of the necessity of making our "calling and election sure" by so running as to obtain the prize.

Our Lord's words do not refer to a knowledge about God, but to a knowledge of God and His Son—a personal acquaintance with them. And such an intimate acquaintance is not obtained merely by an introduction, but by companionship. It signifies an intimacy of acquaintanceship, a familiarity. Everything in the Divine Word encourages those who accept the Divine invitation to draw near to God, to come into fellowship with Him.

But this knowledge of God which will bring a saintly few to salvation on the highest plane stands related to God's Word—the teachings of the Bible; for thus God exalted His Word, by making it the channel for spiritual refreshment and personal acquaintanceship with Himself.
Thus Jesus prayed for us, His followers, "Sanctify them through Thy Truth; Thy Word is Truth." Any who neglect the Divine Word will fall of the sanctifying power and thus fall of the ultimate acquaintanceship with God which alone will guarantee everlasting life. The reason why the Lord has thus arranged the matter and made knowledge of the Scriptures essential is, doubtless, that thus His faithful people may be benefited; and they alone may receive the instruction which will profit them alone, but which would more or less injure others. Thus it is written, "Ye shall know the Truth, and the Truth shall make you free."

To this class our Lord says today, as He said to His Jewish followers eight centuries ago, To you it is given to know the Mysteries of the Kingdom of God; but to all outside these things are spoken in parables and dark sayings, so that seeing they might see and not perceive, and hearing they might hear and not understand. To the outsiders—the Doctors of Divinity—is not committed the Key of Knowledge.

What Constitutes the Key.
The Key of Knowledge consists of the faithful study of the Word of God, with an honest purpose to know the things that are freely given unto us of God. This implies a consecration of heart; for none others would really desire that they might do the Divine will. This also implies a faith in our Lord's promise that "if any man will do God's will, he shall know of the doctrine." It is this consecrated, conscientious Bible study that is lacking today—that is being discouraged by the great teachers and Doctors of Divinity.

Everything designed to help Bible study, to get rid of the darkness of the creeds and superstitions of the past, is opposed—but not openly. The Doctors of Divinity of our day, like those of Jesus' day, are wise and act as though they do know. But they do not know; they possess real Bible study—not openly, but secretly, "for fear of the people." (Mark 11:32; 12:12) The great religious leaders of the Jews were marked by our Lord as being less conscientious, less honest, than the masses of the people. Concerning the people we read that "Jesus was moved with compassion when He beheld the multitude, that they were like sheep without a shepherd."

And is it not so today also? Are not many of the Lord's people hungering and thirsting for the Truth, and greatly perplexed and discouraged because, going time after time to the religious leaders, they have received a stone instead of bread, a serpent instead of a fish—have received a false doctrine, a devilish misrepresentation of God's Character and of His Plan respecting humanity? These devilish doctrines of the Dark Ages St. Paul calls "doctrines of demons"; for the demons, the fallen angels, evidently have propagated them. They are to be found amongst all the heathen, but nowhere in so bad a form as amongst Christians of all denominations. Is there not therefore a great responsibility resting upon every conscientious minister of the Gospel, that he should step out from amongst the mass of the Doctors of Divinity, who are hiding the Key of Knowledge and are misleading the Lord's trusting sheep of nominal Christendom?

Impossible to Deceive the Very Elect.

As we have already shown, they cannot keep penned or asleep those who constitute "the very Elect"; nor can they keep knowledge from this saintly group. Our Lord, speaking of this time, said that the deceptions would be such that they would deceive, if possible, "the very Elect"; but in their case deception will not be possible, for the True Shepherd Himself will help them. But oh, what weeping of disappointment, what chagrin and gnashing of teeth will come shortly to the false shepherds, to the Key-hiding Doctors of Divinity, when they find that with all their endeavors to bolster up shams and superstitions in which they themselves do not believe, the entire fabric of Churchnianity will collapse, as the Scriptures predict?
Is it any wonder that the Master prophesied respecting the unfaithfulness amongst His professed followers at this time, saying, "When the Son of Man cometh, shall He find the Faith upon the earth?"