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FRANK ARCHER PASSES AWAY IN COUNCIL BLUFFS

The Remains Brought Here Today,
and Interment Will Be Made
Tomorrow at 1 O'clock.

From Tuesday's Daily.
Yesterday afternoon at 1:15, at his home in Council Bluffs, Iowa, Frank Archer, for many years a resident of Plattsmouth, passed away, after a long illness caused by cancer of the liver and which finally caused his death. Mr. Archer had been ill about a year, but at times seemed better, and his family and friends were hopeful that he was to be spared to them, but in the last few months he had steadily declined in health and the end was easy to foresee.

Mr. Archer was born in Ohio in February, 1854, and while a lad of 9 years came west with his parents in 1870, locating at Plattsmouth, where the family established a home and where Frank was reared to manhood and received his education in the public schools of this city until he entered into active life, and was for a number of years a foreman of a grading outfit for Thomas L. Murphy. Some eighteen years ago Mr. Archer was united in marriage in this city to Mrs. Rhoda McLaughlin, the ceremony being performed by Rev. D. A. Youtzey. Shortly after his marriage Mr. Archer removed to Council Bluffs, where he has since made his home.

The news of the death will be learned with much regret by the many old friends here, who had learned to esteem and respect the gentleman during his residence in Plattsmouth, and the deepest sympathy of the community will be extended to the sorrowing family in their hour of grief. Besides the widow Mr. Archer leaves to mourn his loss two daughters residing in Council Bluffs, his aged mother, Mrs. Sarah Archer, of this city, and the following brothers and sister: Samuel Archer, Gideon Archer, Mrs. William Rishel, Mrs. J. M. Hall, Mrs. Ida Adair, Mrs. Mark Buttery of this city.

The body arrived in the city this afternoon at 1:12 over the Burlington and was taken to the home of the mother on Locust street, where the funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock. Mr. Archer was a member of the Woodmen of the World order, as well as the Knights of the Macabees.

W. C. T. U. MEETS AT THE HOME OF H. E. WESCOTT

From Wednesday's Daily.
The members of the W. C. T. U. held a social meeting at "Sunnyside" Monday afternoon, which was largely attended by the members and friends of this organization, and those fortunate enough to be present report a most enjoyable afternoon. One of the excellent features of the program was the report of the national W. C. T. U. convention, which was held at Atlanta, Georgia, recently. This report was given by one of the delegates, Mrs. Joe Wiles, and was given in a very pleasing and interesting manner and very highly appreciated by all those who heard it. After this report, Mrs. William Baird gave a splendid reading. During the course of the afternoon's entertainment dainty refreshments were served. A few moments devoted to a social time and then the large company dispersed very much indebted to Mrs. Wescott for her kind hospitality and declaring her to be a most excellent entertainer. The ladies of the W. C. T. U. have arranged to hold a children's Silver Medal Contest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Elliott on West Rock street on Thursday evening, December 17th, at 7:30 o'clock.

Will Hold Bazaar December 12th.
The Ladies' Aid society of Mynard and Eight Mile Grove will hold their bazaar on Saturday, December 12th, at the M. W. A. hall at Mynard. They will serve dinner and supper. Everybody come.
11-30-d&w

Receives Load of Feeders.

From Tuesday's Daily.
George Reynolds, one of the worthy farmers residing south of this city, has just received a shipment of feeders which he will fatten at his farm during the coming winter. Mr. Reynolds secured the feeders at the South Omaha market a few days ago and had them sent down to his home, where they will be fattened up ready for market.

BOARD OF EDUCATION GIVE TEACHERS OF PENMANSHIP 4 INSTEAD OF 2 DAYS A WEEK

From Tuesday's Daily.
The board of education met last evening in regular session to take up what matters of importance that were demanding their attention, and one of the chief matters to engross their attention was that of the decision to place the penmanship course of the school in better shape by having the instructor, Miss Marie Kaufmann, devote four days a week instead of two to this part of the courses of study in the city schools. There has been a remarkable improvement shown in the work of the scholars since the installation of the penmanship course and the special work in this line carried on by Miss Kaufmann has resulted in a great improvement of pupils in all grades over the showing made several years ago, and its effect has been noted with pleasure by the board of education and the superintendent. The official closing of the schools for the holiday vacation was fixed for Friday, December 18th, when they will allow the children a vacation until Monday, January 4, 1916, when the schools will reopen for the work of the second half of the school year.

CONTESTANTS REPORT IN THE G. P. EASTWOOD BIG FREE PIANO CONTEST

From Thursday's Daily.
Standing of contestants as shown by last count:
Mrs. Henry Klinger\$1,436.60
Mrs. Philip Rihn 1,262.15
Miss Klara Bisanz 1,086.45
Miss Violet Keil 1,003.10
Miss Josephine Warga 1,001.45
Miss Grace Nolting 1,001.05
M. E. Sunday School 1,001.00
Presbyterian Church 1,000.90
Miss Vera Campbell 1,000.05
U. B. Church 1,000.00
Miss Tillie Halmes 1,000.00
Miss Helen Horn 1,000.00
Mr. Charles Isner 1,000.00
Miss Bessie Wiles 1,000.00
Mrs. B. A. Wampler 1,000.00
The SPECIAL PRIZE offer of a set of dishes will close one week from next Saturday.
A little extra work by any one of the contestants can easily get this set of dishes.
G. P. EASTWOOD.

Is Thrown Out of Court.

From Thursday's Daily.
The famous hog-pen case of Baker vs. Cummins, which attracted a great deal of attention at the time of the trial among the residents of the south part of the city, where the parties to the suit reside, has had an ending, evidently, in the fact that it has been thrown out of the district court by Judge Begley, as the city and county authorities declined to take up the task of prosecuting the case. In the lower court the decision was against the defendant, Cummins, but the action of the district court in throwing out the appeal seems to dispose of the matter and release the defendants from any damage.

Our Sample Calendar Line.

You will remember the fine sample line of art calendars and wall pockets, imported from Germany, that were on sale at the Journal office last year, and what we want to tell you now is that the 1914 line is on display at this office and are being sold at about one-half what they would cost in lots of 100 and more. It is a beautiful assortment, and if you want any of them call early, as they will not last long.

Subscribe for The Journal.

CHRISTMAS SUG- GESTIONS TO POST- OFFICE PATRONS

Postoffice Employees Experience Much
Grief, and Patrons Can Aid by Not
Sending Presents on One Day.

From Tuesday's Daily.
The approach of the Christmas season is bringing on the rush on the employees in the United States post-offices throughout the country, as each year there are millions and millions of pieces of mail handled each holiday season, and the parcels post law has tended to increase greatly the number of packages handled through the postoffices of the country.
To facilitate the work of handling the extra amount of mail sent out during the Christmas time the post-office department has urged upon all patrons the need of taking care in the mailing of these articles by seeing that every package sent through the mail is carefully wrapped and fixed so that it can stand the handling that it will receive in the Christmas rush, and also that the addresses on the packages be made clear and plain to read, which will aid the clerks greatly in handling the mail, especially in the smaller offices, where the force is of necessity small and where they are almost swamped at times with work.

Another feature that the postoffice department desires to impress upon all patrons is that of mailing the packages as early as possible in order that delivery may be assured by Christmas time, and not wait until the last minute to rush in with several packages to mail when thousands of others are doing the same thing, and then wonder why the packages were not delivered on time. The department allows the use of the Christmas labels on the packages sent by parcels post and a sign, "Not to open until Christmas" will allow the gift to a friend or loved one to be mailed now and it will be all ready on Christmas morning for the fortunate recipient.
Let everyone pay heed to the requests of the department and everyone will be very much benefited by the advice and it will contribute greatly to the enjoyment of Christmas joys, both to the patrons and employees of the postoffices throughout the country.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD HOLD MEETING AND ELECT ENSUING YEAR OFFICERS

From Thursday's Daily.
Last evening the members of Evergreen Camp No. 70, Woodmen of the World, met in regular session at their lodge room in the A. O. U. W. building, and after a most interesting meeting proceeded to the election of their officers for the ensuing year, the following being chosen for the positions:
Consul Commander—Louis M. Simons.
Advisor Lieutenant—Edward Ripple, sr.
Banker—Peter J. Vallery.
Clerk—W. B. Rishel.
Escort—Edward Ripple, jr.
Watchman—W. J. Hiner.
Sentry—Earl C. Hyde.
Physicians—Dr. E. W. Cook, Dr. E. D. Cummins.
Manager for Three Years—George W. Hall.
Deputy for Cass County—W. B. Rishel.
The meeting was very enthusiastic and every feature of the gathering was enjoyed by the membership present.

Mrs. J. H. Becker Ill.

From Tuesday's Daily.
The friends of Mrs. J. H. Becker will regret very much to learn that this lady has been quite ill the past few days at her home, suffering from an attack of the grippe, which she contracted about a week ago, and since that time has been confined to her home. Her condition is reported as being a little better this morning and it is to be hoped that she will continue to improve.

Ships Some Fine Chickens.

From Wednesday's Daily.
Yesterday afternoon C. C. Wescott, the chicken fancier, shipped to Omaha two of his fine fall-holed Buff Orpington fowls, which were purchased by parties there for breeding purposes. The chickens of Mr. Wescott have a fine reputation throughout this part of the state and his success along this line is quite marked.

CITY SCHOOLS ARE IN A MOST PROS- PEROUS CONDITION

The Monthly Report for November
Makes a Splendid and Most
Creditable Showing.

From Thursday's Daily.
The condition of the Plattsmouth city schools for the month of November makes a most flattering showing in the enrollment and attendance and the teachers and superintendent are well pleased with the showing made in the different grades. The High school on Tuesday was addressed by Rev. F. M. Drulliner of the Methodist church, and it is the intention of the superintendent to have each minister of the city address the High school at the morning opening session.

The Central building has just received a fine new graphophone that will be used in the future as an attractive feature of the opening session of the rooms in that building and to allow the pupils a chance to hear first-class music. The enrollment and attendance of the school by rooms is as follows:

	Enrolled.	Attend.
Eggenberger	192	99.2
Anna J. Frankum	47	95.2
Elizabeth Kerr	45	96.6
Amelia Martens	37	92.0
Mattie Larson	41	90.2
Teresa Hemple	39	98.2
Verna Cole	40	95.1
Clara Weyrich	42	96.2
Pearle Stants	42	96.7
Mae Morgan	41	97.1
Elmer Frans	28	94.2
Anna Heisel	32	97.3
Crete Briggs	36	95.3
Christina Hansen	44	97.4
Marie Swoboda	33	97.0
Nettie Hawksworth	38	95.6
Vesta Douglass	32	97.0
Alpha Peterson	46	97.0
Hazel Dovey	42	93.5
Edna Shopp	45	97.0
Delia Tartsch	26	97.1
Hilda Barwick	43	93.8
Margaret Porter	21	96.2
Total	1,035	95.7

In the High school there is enrolled 64 boys and 128 girls, while in the grades there are 491 boys and 541 girls who are on the enrollment list of the schools.

In the annual Thanksgiving offering that will be turned over to the library board for the purchase of new books there was \$19.34 collected, divided among the different rooms as follows:

High school	.....\$ .95
Room No. 2	..... .76
Room No. 3	..... 1.32
Room No. 4	..... 1.00
Room No. 5	..... .77
Room No. 6	..... 1.00
Room No. 7	..... .79
Room No. 8	..... 1.20
Room No. 9	..... .87
Room No. 10	..... .80
Room No. 11	..... .56
Room No. 12	..... .60
Room No. 13	..... .76
Room No. 14	..... 1.35
Room No. 15	..... .53
Room No. 16	..... 1.03
Room No. 17	..... .70
Room No. 18	..... 1.00
Room No. 19	..... .65
Room No. 20	..... .58
Room No. 21	..... .78
Room No. 22	..... .38
Room No. 23	..... .82
Total	.....\$19.34

Miss Jennie Baiten, Teacher.

Everyone who wants to enjoy a good social time should be in attendance at the dance to be given at the German Home on Saturday evening, December 12th.

THE MOST IMPORT- ANT CASE SO FAR IN DISTRICT COURT

The Case Is Hotly Contested, and a
Great Deal of Pro and Con
Evidence Admitted.

From Wednesday's Daily.
The time of the district court yesterday was taken up with a jury hearing of the matter of the estate of Jane A. Dovey, deceased, which was appealed from the county court, where the will of Mrs. Dovey was admitted to probate some months ago. The instrument which was executed in April, 1913, conveyed to Edward Grovener Dovey and George Oliver Dovey, sons of H. N. Dovey and grandsons of Mrs. Dovey, her estate in its entirety, to the exclusion of her sons, G. E. Dovey, O. C. Dovey and H. N. Dovey. Mrs. Dovey passed away a year ago and the will was later offered in court for probate. The instrument was drawn by Attorney Byron Clark of Omaha and was witnessed by Thomas Walling, Miss Olive Jones and Mrs. Allen J. Beeson at the home of H. N. Dovey, where Mrs. Jane A. Dovey had made her home for the past twenty-eight year almost without exception. The document was admitted to probate in the lower court on the hearing and the contestants appealed to the higher court.

At the morning session, following the selection of the jury, the will was offered in evidence and identified by the different witnesses of the will as the document they had signed at the Dovey home, and at the afternoon session Grovener Dovey was called to the stand and described the statements of Mrs. Dovey in regard to the making of the will and the circumstances of the drawing of the same, which he had gone to Omaha to have prepared by Mr. Clark, as he stated at his grandmother's direction.

The contestants introduced a number of witnesses to show the dislike of Mrs. Dovey for making a will. H. S. Austin of Chicago, who was residing here from 1908 to 1914, related an occasion in 1909 when Mrs. Dovey had stated at the home of George E. Dovey that she did not want to make a will of any kind and would not, but wanted the estate divided equally.

Mrs. O. C. Dovey was also called to relate a conversation at her home, in which Mrs. Dovey had stated that her husband had not made a will and she did not intend to either. This was some time in 1909. Mrs. R. F. Patterson testified as to the statements at the G. E. Dovey home made by Mrs. Jane E. Dovey as to the will and also to having visited her grandmother at the H. N. Dovey home.

George E. Dovey was called to the stand and testified as to a will having been prepared and offered to his mother in February, 1913, to be signed, and which document she had refused to sign. The will was prepared by John L. Webster of Omaha, the witness testified. He also testified to a bill of sale having been presented to Mrs. Jane A. Dovey, which conveyed certain property to himself and H. N. Dovey and which she had declined to sign. He thought his mother was possessed of a very strong and clear mind during her lifetime. He had been visited frequently by her at the store up to within the year 1913, when her visits were rarer owing to her poor health.

The attorney for the proponents, Mr. C. A. Rawls, at the close of the testimony of Mr. G. E. Dovey, moved that the court instruct the jury to return a verdict in favor of the proponents, E. G. and G. O. Dovey, as the contestants had failed to show any preponderance of evidence as to undue influence having been brought to light by the contestants, while Attorney Gering for the contestants argued as to the case being sent to the jury. The court overruled the motion to take the case from the hands of the jury. During the arguments of the attorneys the jury was withdrawn from the court room.

The session of the court this morning was taken up with the offering of the testimony for the proponents of the will, Dr. T. P. Livingston, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Dovey,

Grovener Dovey and Carl Kunsman testifying as to the condition of Mrs. Dovey's health at the time of drawing the will and the circumstances surrounding the making of the instrument and its signing by Mrs. Jane A. Dovey. The closing arguments were made to the jury by Attorney Rawls for the proponents and Attorney Gering for the contestants and the case given to the jury a few minutes before 12 o'clock, when they retired to deliberate on the merits of the case.

The jury had the matter under deliberation only a short time, as on their return from their dinner they deliberated only a few minutes, and at the reconvening of court at 1:30 returned a verdict holding that the document probated in the county court was the last will and testament of Jane A. Dovey, and finding for the proponents of the will, Edward Grovener Dovey and George E. Dovey.

The court this afternoon took up the case of Oliver C. Dovey vs. George E. Dovey, et al., and the work of selecting a jury was taken up.

JUDGE ARCHER DOES SOME POLICE COURT BUSINESS

From Thursday's Daily.
This morning Joe Metzger, a wanderer, who was charged with dallying with the flowing bowl too freely, was brought before Judge Archer in police court to explain his shortcomings and try and pacify the feelings of outraged justice. Joe was found by some parties late yesterday afternoon sleeping near some buildings on South Sixth and Pearl streets and it was found impossible to get him out of the way and the police were informed of the fact and responded by Chief of Police Rainey going to the place where the wanderer had chosen as sleeping quarters, and quickly summoned the patrol wagon driven by Claus Boetel and into this Joe was dumped to enjoy a ride to the city "lockup." As the fiery steed of Mr. Boetel swept down Main street with the form of Joe, who was still wrapped in slumber, in the bottom of the wagon, occasioned some remarks, as several thought it was some injured person, but when the wagon was backed up to the city jail and the man unloaded, comment ceased and Joe was invited to partake of the hospitality of the city and enjoy the downy couches provided in the jail. The judge this morning, after hearing the story, decided to inflict a fine of \$5 and costs on the man, but as the road is rough and traveling slow, decided to remit the fine and gave Joe fifteen minutes to hit the trail, and he sure hit it without delay. He claimed he was from St. Louis and was en route to Omaha.

Yesterday afternoon John or "Pup" Eagan was a caller at the office of the police judge, charged with being intoxicated, and the proof being too overwhelming in this case to be disputed the judge handed him a little package labeled "\$25 and costs," which he was unable to pay. The tender-hearted judge then offered to suspend the fine if he would promise to leave the city at once, but this was refused by the prisoner and he was taken back to the dungeon to meditate over the hard and cruel world, until the price of the costs and fine are paid.

How a Visiting Nurse Helps.

Here is a true story showing how a visiting tuberculosis nurse supported from the sale of Red Cross Christmas Seals carried the cheer of these holiday stickers to a stricken family in Maryland. Tuberculosis had made heavy demands upon the family, and the income had entirely stopped for several months. It was inevitable that they should run into debt for grocery bills as well as the rent. With such worry, anxiety and depression it is not always easy to find a silver lining in the clouds. The condition was recognized, however, by the visiting nurse, and the sickness was cared for, relief was obtained, and now both rent bills and grocery bills are being gradually lessened each week. Each member of the family has had nursing care for some ailment or other. Every Red Cross Seal sold helps to better conditions like this.

You will find the Dennison line of Crepe and Tissue Papers in all the Christmas colors at the Journal office.

"A MODERN EVE" WELL ATTENDED LAST EVENING

While the Presentation Was Very
Fair, the Absence of the Good Or-
chestra Was Greatly in Evidence.

From Thursday's Daily.
The presentation of "A Modern Eve" at the Parmele theater last evening, while in spots sparkling and clever, seemed to prove rather a disappointment to the theater-goers, as it lacked in the opening part the life and action of the usual musical comedy or light opera, and while the company endeavored to carry out to their best the musical program, they were decidedly handicapped by the fact that there was no orchestra to assist in interpreting the musical score of the operetta. The numbers, "Good-bye, Everybody," "You're Such a Lonesome Moon Tonight" and "Every Day Is Christmas When You're Married," were among the most pleasing numbers in the operetta. The company carried a very complete scenic production and the costumes of the principals and choruses were elaborate and made in strict keeping of the operetta. The real life and action of the play centered in the second part, where Mr. Ted V. Armond, the comedian, was given a better opportunity for displaying his talents and pleased everyone by his clever work, and is one of the most pleasing laugh-provokers that has visited this city for some time, and in the musical numbers in which he was given the sole parts was a great hit with the audience and he was compelled to respond to repeated encores.

The divorce court scene in the second part was a scream from start to finish and the comedy of the farce was heartily enjoyed. The dancing features furnished by Miss Walberg and Mr. Ackerland were extremely clever as well as difficult, and the grace and beauty of the numbers were heartily enjoyed. The principals made a very pleasing appearance on the stage, especially Miss Louise Wolf and Miss Lee Johnstone, and the chorus of ladies were very handsome and graceful in their offering, although the musical numbers were not as pleasing as had been anticipated. However, the show may be considered as a very fair production, considering the handicap under which they operated with the handling of the music, and this fact should be considered in passing judgment on the play.

MISS ALICE DOVEY, PLATTS- MOUTH'S FAVORITE, SCORES ANOTHER MUSICAL SUCCESS

From Thursday's Daily.
Leslie's Weekly of the last issue contains a very handsome half-tone portrait of Miss Alice Dovey and Jack Henderson, two of the principals in the very successful musical comedy, "Papa's Darling," that is enjoying an unusually long run at the New Amsterdam theater in New York during the present season. This comedy has been marked among the most successful of the season's offerings in the great city and Miss Dovey has won new laurels for herself in her handling of one of the leading roles of the production. In the last few years Miss Dovey, who is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Dovey of this city, has forged to the front in this line of work on the stage and her wonderful success in the "Pink Lady" was such as to attract the leading dramatic critics of the country and with her sweet voice and winsome presence she has won the hearts of theater-goers everywhere.

Taken to Lincoln Today.

From Wednesday's Daily.
This morning Sheriff Quinton departed for Lincoln, taking with him Mrs. Missouri Curtis, who is to be placed in the state hospital there for treatment. Mrs. M. E. Manspeaker, wife of the deputy sheriff, accompanied the lady to the hospital.