

## MOST DELIGHTFUL SOCIAL GATHERING AT COATES HALL

St. Mary's Guild and Members of St. Luke's Episcopal Church Enjoy Fine Time at Coates' Hall.

From Tuesday's Daily.  
One of the most delightful social gatherings that has been held in the city in recent years was the parish party given last evening by the ladies of St. Mary's Guild of the St. Luke's Episcopal church at Coates' hall. The ladies had prepared for the pleasant event by decorating the hall in a very handsome and artistic manner that made the occasion one of great beauty. Over the electric lights throughout the hall red coverings had been placed, while a string of varied-colored lights suspended across the hall from the balcony made a scene of great beauty. In the northwest corner, where the serving was carried on, a most charming cozy corner had been made by the placing of a curtain of streamers of red hearts along the tables used by the serving committee, and red hearts in profusion were used in the decorative scheme of this cozy corner. Each guest was presented with a dainty and artistic favor in the form of a heart-decorated card on which some sentiment suitable to the valentine season had been written.

The tasteful arrangements made the event a most pleasing one and almost every member of the parish was present to enjoy the pleasures of the evening and to get better acquainted with each other. The Rev. W. S. Leete, rector of the church, who has become one of the leading ministers of the city since coming here, certainly has created an intense interest in the work of the church, and his associations with the members of the parish have been most pleasant.

The evening was spent most pleasantly in dancing and in visiting among the guests. The festivities of the evening was opened by the grand march, led by Miss Catherine Dovey and Mr. John Falter, and at the conclusion the guests were presented with the dainty valentine favors of the evening as they marched past the leaders of the grand march. The lovers of dancing were given a splendid opportunity to enjoy themselves in a number of the latest dances, as played by the Holly orchestra, while the "Virginia Reel" was one of the delights of the evening, in which all, young and old alike, indulged to their heart's delight. The national airs of different countries of the world were played by the orchestra, while the members of the party stood and sang the refrain, and the American selections were especially given with force and vigor.

The ladies of St. Mary's Guild were assisted in serving by the members of St. Luke's Guild, and the dainty refreshments proved most tempting and delicious and enjoyed to the utmost by the large number present as one of the most delightful social times that has been held here for years in church circles, and the members of St. Luke's parish are hoping that in the future they may be allowed to enjoy other equally delightful occasions.

## ANOTHER CASE FILED FOR THE MARCH TERM OF DISTRICT COURT

A suit was filed yesterday in the district court in this city entitled N. D. Thorp, et al., vs. Myrtle M. Sharp, widow of Floyd Sharp, et al. This suit involves the settlement of a note for the sum of \$3,000 made by the defendants and made payable at the First National bank of Wahoo and secured by mortgage on land in Red Willow county, Nebraska, as well as some town lots in Alvo, Cass county. The note was executed in March, 1911, and the case is to settle up the matter which has been forced by the death of the parties to the note.

Mrs. R. R. Livingston Better.  
From Thursday's Daily.  
Mrs. R. R. Livingston, who for the past two weeks has been quite ill at her home suffering from a severe attack of bronchitis, is reported as being much better and is now able to sit up for a short time each day. This will be most pleasing news to the friends of this estimable lady, as her illness has been quite severe and occasioned much concern to her family and friends and it will certainly be most pleasing to learn that she is improving so nicely.

## FIRST STEPS TAKEN TO COMPEL OBSERVANCE OF OCCUPATION TAX

From Tuesday's Daily.  
This afternoon City Attorney A. L. Tidd took the first steps in an effort to compel the observance of the occupation tax ordinance of the city, which a number of parties have neglected to comply with as they should by paying over their tax. City Clerk Nemetz made a complete canvass of the business section of the city and a large majority of the business men complied with the requirements of the ordinance, but several refused or ignored the request of the clerk, and at the last meeting of the council it was decided to turn the list over to the city attorney to bring suit against the parties delinquent, and in compliance with these instructions he started suits against two of the parties, as the others on the list have made arrangements to settle their taxes. It is hardly fair to the business men of the city who have without a murmur paid their tax to let persons who have not fulfilled their duty operate their business without having to pay any tax, and the city attorney will carry out the wishes of the council in the matter and endeavor to collect the tax as levied. The business tax fund is used for the sweeping and sprinkling of Main street and its care and all the money expended is in the locality where the parties paying the tax have their places of business.

## AN INTERESTING CASE COMES TO THE DISTRICT COURT FROM LOUISVILLE

From Tuesday's Daily.  
A very interesting case was filed in the district court here last Saturday, entitled John Hennings vs. Cam M. Seybert and Frank Wheeler, and the plaintiff asks that the sum of \$1,000 be given him, together with the costs, as balm for his wounded feelings. The case grows out of some trouble at Louisville, where the defendants, on January 4th, filed a complaint against the plaintiff, charging him with disturbing the peace, swearing and otherwise conducting himself in a manner that greatly disturbed the peace of Mr. Wheeler. According to the petition of the plaintiff, these charges were absolutely untrue and the defendants were fully aware of that fact. The case was set for hearing on January 4th, but was continued until January 15th, when, in the court of Justice Brobst at Louisville, the plaintiff was acquitted, and he now asks that the \$1,000 be awarded him for his mental anguish and suffering caused to his reputation by the charges preferred against him by the two defendants. All are well known residents of the city of Louisville and the outcome of the case will be watched with much interest by the residents of that place. Mr. Wheeler is a former resident of Plattsmouth, where he was employed as harness-maker for the late August Gorder, and has resided in Louisville for the past two years.

Go to Nebraska City.  
From Tuesday's Daily.  
This morning County Commissioners Pitz, Heebner and Snoko and County Clerk Libershal journeyed to Nebraska City to be present there at a meeting of the county board of that county when some matters of interest to the residents of this county will be taken up and the board here desires to be present.

## ANOTHER CASS COUNTY PIONEER PASSES AWAY

Isaac Nelson, a Resident for Forty Years in the County, Passes Away at the Home of His Son.

From Tuesday's Daily.  
Last evening at 11:30, at the home of his son, L. W. Nelson, some five miles south of this city, Isaac Nelson, one of the aged pioneers of Cass county, answered the last summons and passed away at the ripe age of 82 years. Mr. Nelson had not been in the best of health for the past few years and had gradually grown weaker as his age and feebleness denied him the privilege of getting out and mingling with the world, except on rare occasions, and this confinement told on his health considerably and caused him to gradually grow weaker. He had for the past few years been living with his daughter, Mrs. C. L. Martin, in this city, and at the home of his son, L. W. Nelson, south of town, where his death occurred.

Mr. Nelson had resided in Cass county for the past forty years and had been one of the most prominent farmers in this section of the county. His death will come as quite a shock to the many old friends, who during all these years have known Mr. Nelson so intimately, and his place in their lives will be one hard to fill. He leaves to mourn his death three children—Mrs. R. D. McNurlin of Weeping water, Mrs. C. L. Martin and L. W. Nelson of Plattsmouth, as well as a number of grandchildren.

The funeral of the late Isaac Nelson will be held Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the United Brethren church, south of this city. The interment will be in the Horning cemetery.

## A SURPRISE AT THE HOME OF MR. AND MRS. SCHLEIFERT NEAR LOUISVILLE

From Tuesday's Daily.  
A very pleasant surprise party was given on Sunday, February 6th, at the comfortable home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Schleifert, near Louisville, in honor of their daughter, Miss Selma. The occasion was one filled with the greatest of pleasure to every one of the jolly young people present, and the pupils of the school where Miss Selma is attending were present, headed by their teacher, Miss Alma Holly, and much pleasure was derived during the afternoon by the playing of games, interspersed with coasting on the snow-clad hills and offerings of musical numbers by different members of the party. At a suitable hour a most tempting and delicious two-course luncheon was served, which aided greatly in making the afternoon one of the rarest of pleasure. The guests, on departing, wished Miss Selma many more such happy events.

## NEHAWKA'S COMMERCIAL CLUB COMPOSED OF ALL LIVE WIRES

The Commercial club, organized five years ago, has spent one thousand dollars annually on the town and surrounding community. When it started, roads around here were in a deplorable condition. The town was without street lights or crossings, and things generally were bad. Since then they have graded many miles of roads leading into town. They have built substantial cross-walks practically all over town, and as for lights, you are cordially invited to visit Nehawka any dark night and see for yourself. The new auditorium is another thing that was made possible largely through the instrumentality of the club. Last spring they made an effort to incorporate the town, and although they were thwarted in this it was the means of starting the agitation that finally gave us the auditorium.—Nehawka News.

Victims of the Grippe.  
From Tuesday's Daily.  
The changeable weather of the past week has occasioned a great deal of sickness among our people and the common malady of the grippe seems to be very popular right now. Mrs. George Dodge and Mrs. J. H. Kuhns are the latest victims of this malady and are reported as being confined to their homes suffering from quite a severe attack of the disease.

## LENTON SEASON NOW ON FOR FORTY DAYS, SEVERAL DANCES HELD LAST NIGHT

From Wednesday's Daily.  
The approach of the Lenton season was taken advantage of last evening by a large number of the young and old of the city to indulge in a farewell dance before the hour of 12, when for the forty days before Easter dancing and social affairs will rest under the ban.

At the T. J. Sokol hall in the west part of the city a number of the residents of that section enjoyed several hours in this manner tripping the mazes of the dance to the strains furnished by the Bohemian brass band. At Coates' hall the Cosmopolitan club gave a social dance that was attended by a jolly crowd of young people and a most delightful time enjoyed by all who were present, and at the pealing of the midnight hour the dancers wended their way homeward. The Holly orchestra played at this dance.

## NEW WAY OF GETTING WINDOWS WASHED WHEN TOO LAZY TO DO IT YOURSELF

A very good story told on one of the business firms on Fifth street, who occupy quarters with another firm, which is owned by one of the most genial gentlemen in the city, but the condition of the windows on his side of the office has greatly irritated the members of the corporation and they have pleaded with tears to have their friend get busy and clean up his windows, as they had placed their windows in a spotless condition which was the source of great pride to them, and they exalted in what they considered a most perfect appearing window, but in glancing across the room their eyes were stricken with the dusty window of their neighbor, and their breasts heaved with a mighty emotion between grief and anger. Finally it was resolved to undertake desperate steps to have the window of their neighbor washed, and in the dark, still watches of the night the conspirators gathered and one young man was prevailed upon to carry out the plan of the conspirators, and mixing a large amount of mud the young man, guided by the advice of the plotters, plastered the window up in great shape, so as to compel the owner to wash it before he could get daylight through. Thus far the plans carried out finely and all seemed, as the poet might say, as happy as a marriage bell, until the plotters began to experience the sensation known as "cold feet," and losing their nerve, at an early hour Wednesday morning hurried down and removed all signs of the mud before the gentleman owning the window arrived, and he spent the day wondering at the spirit of generosity that prompted his friends to clean his windows.

## Young People Wed.

Yesterday at the home of the bride's parents, near Wabash, occurred the marriage of Carl Richert and Miss Anna Bornemeier. The ceremony which united these young people was witnessed by a number of the friends of the happy couple, who gathered to witness the nuptials that was to open the life of matrimonial bliss. Both of the young people are well known throughout the central part of the county.

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## KNIGHTS AND LADIES OF SECURITY ENJOY FINE TIME

Fine Musical Program, Wholesome Refreshments and Large Number of Friends Present.

From Wednesday's Daily.  
Last evening the members of Platte Council No. 372, Knights and Ladies of Security, held their annual celebration of the foundation of the local lodge, which was installed in February, 1896, and the occasion was one of the most thoroughly enjoyable that this enterprising order has held for several years. In order that the event of the celebration might be more thoroughly enjoyed the members of the order were allowed to bring their friends with them to take part in the very enjoyable occasion, and as a result there was quite a large number in attendance.

President R. B. Windham presided over the gathering, and in opening the program for the evening made a short address, pointing out the beauties of the order, as well as the growth since the time that the local lodge was installed, and he welcomed the visitors in a most pleasing manner to the gathering and asked that all enter thoroughly into the spirit of the occasion.

A most pleasing program had been arranged by the committee in charge, which embraced selections from the leading artists of the city, and this was certainly enjoyed to the utmost by everyone present.

Miss Mina Thierolf opened the program with a very pleasing piano number that displayed the talents of this lady to the best advantage and was much enjoyed.

A quartet number by Messrs. H. G. McClusky, B. A. McElwain, Herman Hough and Bert Knorr, was one of the very pleasing attractions of the program and these gentlemen were compelled to respond with an encore to the demonstration of the audience. Miss Gussie Robb accompanied.

Don C. York gave two very pleasing bass solos that were much enjoyed, and he was accompanied most charmingly by Mrs. A. O. Eggenberger on the piano. A trio by Mrs. Ellen Pollock Minor and Misses Ellen and Kathryn Windham was one of the numbers on the program that was received with marked approval, and the ladies were compelled to respond with an encore. Miss Vesta Douglas, one of the most talented young ladies in the city, gave a most pleasing contribution to the evening's program in a recitation that was simply captivating in the delivery, and this charming elocutionist certainly was most enjoyable.

One of the features of the program which was thoroughly appreciated and enjoyed was the piano solo by Miss Emma Cummins, who is one of Plattsmouth's most accomplished musicians, and her playing last evening was certainly most pleasing in every way.

A quartet composed of Miss Mathilde Vallery, Mesdames E. E. Westcott, A. G. Eggenberger and Miss Estelle Baird was all that could be asked, as these talented ladies are among the most pleasing of the musical set of the city. Mrs. William Baird gave two most charming readings that were filled with great dramatic force and made a deep impression upon everyone present in their beauty and expression. The first number was a recitation of "The Lost Chord," Mrs. Baird being accompanied on the piano by Mrs. Mae Morgan during the recitation while the second number was "The Mourning Veil," a humorous selection that proved most delightful. The program was closed by the vocal number of Miss Catherine Dovey, who was in her usual pleasing voice and gave a beautiful rendition of the two numbers and the range of her voice demonstrated her wonderful capability in this line of work.

At the close of the program the guests were invited to the dining room, where several tables had been spread, and here the jolly crowd still further enjoyed themselves in the tempting repast set before them. The tables were very prettily decorated with candles and made a very handsome picture.

J. M. Roberts on Sick List.  
From Tuesday's Daily.  
J. M. Roberts, cashier of the Plattsmouth State bank, has been on the retired list for the past two days, having been compelled Saturday to yield to the common complaint of the grippe and retire home, where he has been confined to his bed for a part of the time. He is reported this morning as being slightly improved.

## THE ANTE-SCHOOL MONOPOLY BILL PASSED THIRD READING IN THE SENATE

From Wednesday's Daily.  
The anti-school teachers' monopoly and trust bill, introduced by Henry of Colfax and Wilson of Dodge, was placed on third reading and passed with only one vote against it. Suddall of York voted no. The bill is intended to prohibit what is called a school teachers' ring or monopoly, but its provisions are so lacking in detail that no one knows what ring it is intended to abolish. In committee of the whole the senate again approved Quinby's bill to exempt fruit trees from taxation. The bill had previously been committed to the committee of the whole for amendment when it was certain it would fail to pass. No amendment was attached by the committee of the whole at Tuesday's sitting, but it had previously been amended.

## WORK OF REMODELING WEYRICH & HADRABA'S STORE PROGRESSING

The work on the remodeling of the store room of Weyrich & Hadraba is progressing in fine shape and soon this firm can begin to rearrange their fixtures in the room, which has been widened some four feet by the removal of the stairway that formerly led to the second floor of the building from Main street. The door which was used for the stairway will be set back several feet and made a second entrance to the store, as it will give the firm a chance to further improve their west show window by the placing of a large section of plate glass on the west side of the window forming part of the lobby. The steel ceiling has been replaced by John Bauer and is being treated to a coat of paint by M. M. Beal and his force of painters. As soon as the painting and papering of the room is completed the fixtures will all be placed where they are wanted.

## MUCH UNEASINESS FELT ALONG RAILROADS ON ACCOUNT OF HIGH WATER

Reports along railroad lines north of the Platte and farther west in the state seem to show a feeling of uneasiness as to the effects of the rains and thaws in causing the great surplus of flood water to move down the smaller streams that empty into the Platte, and train crews are warned to be on the lookout for the washing out of bridges on their runs. The snowfall in the northern part of the state was something enormous and this has been melted greatly by the warmer weather of the past few days and the water forced into the creeks and rivulets makes it very dangerous on the bridges. It has been reported here that there is something like a foot of water on top of the ice at North Platte and the river gives signs of beginning to break up and start on its eastward course, which will be swelled as the streams from the north pour in their floods and it can be booked that there will be a great deal of high water here in a few weeks if the present weather continues. The Missouri river is also beginning to show signs of a breakup and will probably add its share to the high water that is predicted to prevail throughout the Missouri Valley.

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## FORMER PLATTS-MOUTH CITIZEN SHOOTS HIMSELF

Lived Here Twenty-five Years Ago, and the Woman He Shoots Is His Second Wife.

From Wednesday's Daily.  
The following, taken from the Omaha News of last evening, tells of the tragic death of William Herald, a former resident of this city, after he had shot his wife while laboring under the influence of a temporary spell of insanity, induced, it is claimed, by the habits of the man. While Mr. Herald was a resident here some twenty-four years ago he was engaged first as a barber in the Kuhney barber shop and later was employed as a bartender, and it has been stated by those who knew him here that he was of a very strange disposition, and while residing here his actions were such as to cause the greatest of worry to his friends. After removing to Omaha he gradually drifted out of the lives of his former acquaintances, until the news of his attempted murder and suicide was published last evening. His first wife died some years ago in Omaha.

William Herald, former policeman, now night watchman at the Field club, at 10 a. m. today shot his wife at their home, 1142 South Thirty-second street, then shot himself through the temple. She will recover; he probably will die.

Mrs. Herald told the police that Herald had been intoxicated almost constantly for several days. Last night, she said, he was wild with liquor and was very quarrelsome. He sat up most of the night, she said, and at a late hour went to bed without removing his clothes.

Still under the influence of liquor, Herald arose this morning and resumed quarreling. Mrs. Herald was in the kitchen.

Suddenly Herald rushed into the room and leveled a revolver at Mrs. Herald. She screamed and Herald fired. The bullet plowed through Mrs. Herald's cheek and cut away part of the bone.

Herald then turned the gun against his own temple, fired and dropped to the floor.

Mrs. Herald rushed to the street and alarmed neighbors, who notified the police. When officers arrived Herald was unconscious and seemed then to be near death. He was taken to St. Joseph's hospital.

Before Mrs. Herald was removed there she said there was no one particular trouble that drove Herald to the act. She said drinking was alone to blame for it. "We were married last May," she said, "and the trouble we have had has been largely due to liquor."

Herald was appointed as a police patrolman on April 2, 1900. On August 18, 1902, charges of neglect of duty were filed against him and after a hearing before the city commission he was dismissed from the department on August 25, 1902. Again on April 16, 1906, he was appointed as a police patrolman on six months' probation. Charges of abuse of Harry J. Fox were dismissed on April 29, 1907.

William Herald was dismissed from the police force on November 21, 1913, after being tried before the city commission upon charges of conduct unbecoming to an officer. He was never again reinstated.

Mrs. Herald, shot by him today, was Herald's second wife.

## Weather Makes It Quiet.

The wet and gloomy weather of yesterday and today has had a very marked tendency to check business in the city, as it keeps the farmers from coming in and the residents of the city residing out any distance do not feel like coming down through the sloop and mud any more than is absolutely necessary. The court house, too, has suffered from the general apathy prevailing and very little of note was stirring there today in any of the offices, where routine business was the only thing on tap.

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