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BUSY MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Superintendent Brooks Makes His Report, and Dr. Marshall Re-elected President of the Board.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Last evening the Plattsmouth board of education met in regular session to take up such matters as might demand their attention and to induct the new board into office. In the absence of President Marshall, Vice President John Lutz, the retiring member of the board, presided over the deliberations of the body.

The report of Superintendent W. G. Brooks was read and showed the schools to be in good shape and it included a number of suggestions that will lead to the continued improvement of the school and its workings. At this time of the year the force of teachers and pupils are all preparing for the close of the school year and arranging for the closing exercises which will occur on Wednesday, May 26th, and of necessity are much taken up with the preparations which are attendant on the general advancement of the classes throughout the schools.

The old board, after its short session, proceeded to reorganize with the election of their officers, and the following were chosen:

President—Dr. C. A. Marshall.
Vice President—J. M. Roberts.
Secretary—E. H. Wescott.
The treasurer of the board is vested in the treasurer of the city and the funds looked after by that official. The only change in the personal of the board this year is the retirement of John Lutz, who declined a re-election to the office, and was succeeded by Frank E. Schlater. Mr. Lutz has been a most efficient member of the board during the time he has served and has taken a deep interest in the welfare of the city schools, and his service has been deeply appreciated by the members of the board, who have served with him during this time. Dr. Marshall, who has served as president of the board for several years, is absent in California at the present time, and his colleagues took advantage of his absence to again elect him to the office he has filled so well.

PUPILS AND TEACHERS DONATE \$25.00 FOR THE PURCHASE OF A VICTROLA

From Tuesday's Daily.

At the opera, "The Pixies," given recently by the pupils of the Central school building, they were able to realize a neat little sum of money, which was devoted to the purchase of a Victrola for the building, as well as a collection of records to aid in developing a taste for the best of music among the little folks. After the purchase of their Victrola it was found there was quite a sum of money left in their treasury and it was decided that it would be a mighty nice thing to aid others in the securing of one of these splendid instruments, and accordingly the teachers and pupils of the Central building last evening addressed a communication to the board of education in which they stated that they would donate \$25, if the board would assist them, and present to the Columbian building a Victrola. This generous offer was taken up at once by the board and \$15 appropriated to be added to the gift of the Central building, and a \$40 Victrola will be installed in the Columbian building at once to add to the pleasure as well as the profit of the pupils there. This action on the part of the teachers and pupils of the Central building certainly shows the right spirit and their thoughtfulness of their associates in the city schools will be very much appreciated, as the Columbian building has been without means of furnishing music to the scholars, and this feature of school work is one that adds much to the interest of the pupils and assists the teachers in their work.

Has a Severe Fall.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Charles Peterson, jr., yesterday afternoon had a most severe fall while he was engaged in some work at the Gem theater. Someone had left the trap door leading to the cellar open, and as Mr. Peterson came along in the dark interior of the building he failed to notice the open door and the first intimation he had was when he shot into space and lit on the steps of the cellarway with his right shoulder and face, which were both badly damaged by contact with the steps. The injuries are quite painful, but it is fortunate that he was not injured more seriously.

DAUGHTERS OF AMERICAN REVOLUTION ENJOY GOOD TIME AND ELECT OFFICERS

From Tuesday's Daily.

The members of Fontenelle chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, met last evening at the pleasant home of Mrs. E. H. Wescott and a most enthusiastic meeting was enjoyed by the members of the chapter. This chapter of the society is one of the liveliest in the state and at the recent meeting in Omaha secured the beautiful silk flag that was given for the chapter showing the largest percent of gain during the year, as they have doubled the list of members during the year just closed. This honor given Fontenelle chapter has encouraged the ladies in their work of promoting the feeling of American patriotism, and they are entering on the new year's work with the greatest of enthusiasm for the cause they represent. The meeting last evening was for the purpose of selecting the officers for the coming year, and the following were chosen:

Regent—Mrs. Lynn Minor.
Vice Regent—Mrs. Mae Morgan.
Secretary—Mrs. George Dodge.
Treasurer—Miss Bernese Newell.
Register—Mrs. E. H. Wescott.
Historian—Miss Ellen Windham.
Chaplain—Miss Hermia Windham.
Organist—Miss Alice Tucey.
The ladies of this society are to be congratulated on their showing and the spirit of true Americanism displayed in their work of promoting the lessons of patriotism shown by the founders of this great republic from whom they are descended.

THOMAS PATTERSON, OF PITTSBURGH, PENN., VISITS HIS COUSINS, T. M. AND R. F.

From Tuesday's Daily.

This morning Thomas Patterson, of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, arrived in the city for a short visit here with his cousins, T. M. and R. F. Patterson, and will be here for a few days with them. Mr. Patterson has been spending some time on the Pacific coast and in taking in the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco, and is now en route home to Pennsylvania. It has been twenty-eight years since Mr. Patterson was here visiting his uncle, the late J. M. Patterson, he being a son of D. F. Patterson, the youngest of the Patterson brothers, and his visit at this time is a most enjoyable one to his relatives.

MRS. LYNN JERRETT, WIFE OF OREAPOLIS B. & M. SECTION FOREMAN, IS DEAD

From Tuesday's Daily.

The death of Mrs. Lynn Jerrett, wife of the section foreman of the Burlington at Oreapolis, occurred Sunday noon at her home. The death was quite sudden, as the lady was in the best of health and on Sunday had prepared the mid-day meal and had gone to call the husband to dinner, when she fell to the floor and in a few seconds passed away as the result of heart failure. She leaves one small child and the husband to mourn her untimely death, just in the bloom of her life. The funeral was held this afternoon from the late home. Mrs. Jerrett was quite well known here, where they were frequent visitors, and the news of her death was quite a shock to her friends.

IT IS NOW THE BLUE GRASS VS. THE DANDELION

The Prayer of the Petitioners Is Decided in Favor of the Blue Grass as Against the Dandelion.

Before someone may rise in defense of the dandelion, comes now counsel for the blue grass in fore-handed rebuttal and begs leave to state that the dandelion is a hog. As a thing of beauty, such defendant might allege in his answer to your petitioner's plea, the dandelion is too numerous to attain that end. Your petitioner, Blue Grass, admits that scattered about a lawn in companies or even in battalions, the said dandelion may be considered beautiful, may be considered as a golden ornament giving variety to the pure green of grass and shrub, but if the court please, the said dandelion never has been content to live as an honorable citizen, as a lover of his brother-plants and a sharer in their privations and in their blessings of showers, sunshine and fertile plot. Instead, he always has been an aggressive fighter for monopolies. Always has he constituted himself a trust and always has he sought to monopolize, absolutely own, occupy and control every fair mead. Once a corporal's guard of his vast army has set foot on lawn or meadow, then has he followed always with army divisions without end and to the sole purpose that he might occupy all the land and starve out the family and dependents of your petitioner. Therefore, comes now your petitioner in forehanded rebuttal and repeats said dandelion is a hog. Such a hog as to endanger the very life of our petitioner, Blue Grass, and the beauty of your petitioner's and the court's own fair city. Wherefore, your petitioner prays the court to decree that the entire populace join in defense of your petitioner against said dandelion. Your petitioner further asks that your honor promote by decree of his court, or by other means, dandelion parties of children, of parents, of lords and ladies, and that these dandelion parties gather with quip and jest to make the work flow lighter, and with knives, proggers, bill-hooks, alwn mowers, sulphate of iron and other agents to dig, cut, spray out, cut out, gouge out, any way to get out the said hog dandelion.

A PLEASANT SURPRISE TO MRS. F. M. DRULIN- ER BY CHURCH LADIES

Yesterday afternoon Mrs. F. M. Druliner was given a most pleasant surprise at the parsonage when a large number of the ladies of the church called at the parsonage and gave the guest of honor a most delightful linen shower. The affair had been gotten up by the members of the Ladies' Bible class, who had invited the other ladies of the church to join with them in the surprise on the charming wife of their pastor, and the occasion was one of the rarest pleasure. Everyone came with some dainty article of linen and Mrs. Druliner was showered with these as a token of the feeling of esteem in which the ladies of the church felt toward her, and no blushing bride-elect ever received more dainty or handsome remembrances than those presented to the worthy lady who presides over the destinies of the Druliner household. At a suitable hour the company was treated to most dainty and tempting refreshments that served to add to the pleasures of the afternoon.

For Sale.
Eggs for hatching and day-old chicks from Single Comb Rhode Island Reds. Eggs, \$1.00 per 15, \$5.00 per 100; chicks, 10c each. Special mating prices upon request.
A. O. Range,
Route 1, Plattsmouth, Neb.

See your property by an ad in The Journal.

Cold Spell Stings.

Last evening the thermometer took a sudden drop that brought cold biting winds that fell with much chilliness upon the residents of the city who had abandoned their winter wearing apparel, and there was a general rush to dig up the overcoats that had been fondly laid away for the summer. There has been in the past few days a great many hail storms at points near this city, and much colder weather, but it has not been noticeable here until last evening and this morning, when the mercury hovered at 40 above zero. The cloudy weather has been fortunate, as had it cleared up a killing frost would without doubt have played havoc with the fruit throughout this locality.

THE LAST ENTERTAIN- MENT OF HIGH SCHOOL LECTURE COURSE

From Wednesday's Daily.

The series of numbers on the High school lecture course that have been given during the past winter at the High school auditorium, closed last evening with one of the most enjoyable musical entertainments that it has ever been the god fortune of the people of Plattsmouth to have afforded them.

The attraction was a mixed quartet of some of the leading vocalists of Omaha, and their beautiful voices and wonderful harmony in the different numbers certainly appealed to the lovers of music. Each member of the quartet is an artist in their line and their work last evening was certainly appreciated to the fullest extent by all who were fortunate enough to be present. Mr. McIntyre, the basso, and Miss Ganson, alto, of the quartet, were splendid and their rich, sweet voice added wonderfully to the different selections.

The opening of the program was given over to solos by the different members of the company, and in their artistic rendition of their numbers they were aided by the artistic accompaniment of Mr. Cocks, who is a most finished pianist, and this feature of the program was also greatly enjoyed. Miss Schwartz, soprano of the quartet, has a very clear and sweet voice and with its birdlike notes held the audience enraptured until the close of her numbers, and she was given a hearty encore, as were also the other talented members of the organization.

These series of entertainments have brought to this city many high-class attractions, and the opening and closing numbers of the course were well worth the price of the entire series, consisting of the concert by Prof. Henry Cox and associate players of the Omaha Symphony Orchestra, and the quartet that appeared last evening before the music-loving people of the city. The lecture course was arranged by Miss Edith Martin of Omaha, in charge of the Bureau of Dramatic Art in that city, and has certainly proven a success in every sense of the word, and it is to be hoped that we will have other entertainments of as high a character offered to the public of this city in the future.

EVERY MAN TO HIS OWN NOTION ON MUS- ICAL INSTRUMENTS

From Tuesday's Daily.

Yesterday while Chief Blackhawk was in the metropolis for a short time he became greatly interested in a most peculiar musical instrument whose notes pleased his musical ear, and he finally decided to become the owner of one of these, called the cowboy whistle, and accordingly parted with the necessary cash, thinking to spend many pleasant hours listening to the notes of the weird instrument. He was much surprised on reaching home to find that it required a person with a perfect set of teeth to properly play on the flute-like whistle, and he will be forced to secure assistance when he desires to listen to the music of the war dance as played on the whistle.

For Sale.
Home-Grown Early Ohio Seed Potatoes at 65c per bushel.
H. M. SOENNICHSEN.

WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS ENJOY BIG SOCIAL GATHERING

Met at the Home of Mrs. M. E. Manspeaker, With Mrs. Eva Reese and Mrs. Mike Whelan as Hostesses.

From Wednesday's Daily.

One of the most delightful social gatherings in the history of the Woman's Relief Corps of this city was held yesterday at the beautiful home of Mrs. M. E. Manspeaker on West Elm street, when Mrs. Manspeaker, Mrs. Eva Reese and Mrs. Mike Whelan were hostesses to the members of the Corps and a number of invited friends. The occasion was one that will long be most pleasantly remembered and those who were present were delighted with the gracious hospitality afforded them. The attendance was the largest that has been present at any of the meetings, there being some eighty present, and the afternoon was spent most enjoyably by the ladies. A very entertaining program had been prepared and was very much enjoyed.

Miss Honor Seybert, one of the talented musicians of the city, gave a very pleasing piano solo, which demonstrated her skill as a pianist and was thoroughly enjoyed by the delighted auditors. The High school orchestra was also present and favored the guests with several most delightful numbers that reflected the greatest credit upon the young people composing the organization. Misses Nellie Cowles and Dorothy Mehering favored the gathering with a most charming piano duet, and Miss Genevieve Whelan a piano solo which added greatly to the beauty of the musical program. A very pleasing feature of the afternoon was the vocal solo by Harold Smith, who was accompanied by Miss Baird at the piano, and this was heartily endorsed. Mrs. A. J. Beeson gave one of her always enjoyable readings during the afternoon that served to close one of the most thoroughly pleasant and profitable gatherings that the Relief Corps has held in many years, and to those taking part in the program, as well as the hostesses, a great deal of credit is due for the splendid success achieved.

At an appropriate hour the guests were served with a very tempting luncheon that further heightened the pleasure of the occasion, if that were possible, and late in the afternoon the jolly gathering dispersed feeling that they had enjoyed an event of the rarest merit.

THE ELKS' MINSTRELS AT LOUISVILLE POST- PONED UNTIL MONDAY

The Elks' Minstrel company, which expected to visit Louisville this evening and treat the residents of that thriving city to a feast of melody and mirth, were compelled this morning, on account of the continued rainfall, to postpone the event until next Monday evening, when it will be given with all the excellence that characterized the show in this city. The members of the company had expected to make the trip to Louisville in automobiles, and some sixteen cars had been promised to make the trip, until the downpour made it necessary to call off the show for a few days. The boys have had several rehearsals in the past week and have the production in fine shape and it will be a treat to the residents of Louisville, as in addition to the delightful musical numbers there is a wealth of sparkling jokes and comedy interspersed throughout the performance. Remember the change in date—Monday, May 10th. New features have been added since the show in this city, which will add considerably to the success of the minstrel.

For Sale.
Good Durham Shorthorn bull, 2 years old. Inquire of J. J. Lohnes, Mynard, Neb. 4-29-4wks-w

Enjoyable Dinner Party.

A very enjoyable dinner party was given last evening at the home of Judge and Mrs. Allen J. Beeson in honor of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Barber of Sterling, Nebraska, who are here visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Baird. The dinner was a most delightful one of three courses and covers were laid for twelve. The occasion was enjoyed to the utmost by the guests present and served as a very pleasant event to those who were fortunate enough to be present. Mrs. Barber is a sister of Mrs. Baird, and has been visiting here for several days at her home.

COMMERCIAL CLUB IS NOW PLANNING FOR THE SEASON'S CAMPAIGN

The Commercial club of this city is planning to inaugurate a program for the year's work that should have the hearty co-operation of every man who has at heart the best interests of the city, no matter in what business, profession or trade he may be interested. It is necessary for the entire community to co-operate in order to bring forth the results desired, and as all the interests of the city are involved in the study and achievement of better conditions here at home, they should be prepared to take their part in the work of promoting these needed measures through the medium of a central body, which here, as in every other city in the state, is best made in a Commercial club. It is not one or two or a dozen that is desired in the work of the organization, but is now, as it has been in the past, to get as complete a representation of the citizens as possible out at the meetings where all can express their ideas on the things needed in assisting in the development of the community in which we all live. There are several important matters to demand the attention of the citizens of Plattsmouth, and they should all get in line and assist in their efforts in the securing of desired improvements and advantages. The meetings of the club are held on the third Thursday of the month and to these meetings every man in Plattsmouth is invited to be present. Get in the harness and assist in boosting for a bigger and better Plattsmouth.

FISHING WITH SILVER HOOKS ALWAYS PROVES A SUCCESS

The members of the finny tribe in the different lakes and streams around Cedar Creek had a very exciting time yesterday, when a number of fishermen from this city invaded their precincts in search of their favorite sport. The party was composed of Attorney John M. Leyda, Judge A. J. Beeson and A. O. Moore of this city and J. E. Leyda of Falls City. The jolly party, armed with numerous poles and plenty of bait, departed from this city yesterday in the wee small hours so as to get the benefit of the entire day in their sport, and from all reports had a most delightful time, which was only interfered with by the rain in the afternoon, compelling a return home really before the fishermen were satisfied, but at that they had a fine catch and returned home laden with many fine fish. Those who are well advised on the subject state that these were really caught by the party and not bought of the professional fishermen, as is so often the case. The trip was a most delightful one and the boys are looking forward to another excursion of a similar nature in the future.

File Their Reports.

At the meeting of the county board, held here this week, the county judge filed his report of fees for the first quarter of 1915, stating that the sum of \$231.95 had been collected. The sheriff reported \$25.25 as having been taken in by his office for this period of time.

"Billy" Sunday, the Man, and His Message—at the Journal office for \$1.00. See the book in our window. This is a very popular book.

FAST DRIVING OF AUTOMOBILES ON THE HIGHWAYS

They Should Be More Cautious for Safety of Themselves and Others Who Have Right on Highway.

The city council and authorities in taking up the regulation of the vehicles under the ordinance provided for that purpose will endeavor to see that the rights of all are respected and that the safety of the public is assured in traveling on the public highway. In this regard it may be stated that the fast driving of cars is not half as dangerous to the pedestrian as is that of the careless driver who pays little or no attention to where he is going, but proceeds to run along on either side of the street without regard to the rights of others, and in turning the corners into other streets goes just as he pleases. This is more liable to cause a serious accident than anything else, especially in the way of a collision with another car, and should be heeded by the owners and drivers of machines, or in fact, any kind of a vehicle, as the owners of teams and driving horses should comply with the ordinance as much as the automobile owner, as oftentimes their action forces the auto driver into a violation of the rules of the road.

While there has always been considerable prejudice against the automobile as a violator of the law in regard to driving over the public highway, they have rights as well as others, and a careful observance of the law by the owners of teams and wagons or other vehicles, as well as the automobile owners, will be found much more satisfactory to all and assist materially in the observance of the ordinance regulating the driving of vehicles. The speed limit should also be observed by the owners of automobiles in the city, as the authorities, in providing for this, have been extremely liberal and the rate set for the regulation of cars allows them plenty of latitude for all the speed that is necessary to proceed with safety in the city limits, and those using cars should see that they do their part in keeping down to the required speed limit and not try to break a record for speeding on the streets of the city, and thereby show their appreciation of the efforts of the city to be fair with them in this respect.

MATTERS ACTED UPON IN THE DISTRICT COURT

At the session of the district court yesterday quite a number of matters involving the cases on the docket were taken up by Judge James T. Begley and passed upon by the court. In the case of John Hennings vs. Cam Seybert, et al., a motion to make petition more definite and certain was overruled. The defendants were given twenty days to plead. In the case of Nellie Foote, et al., vs. the National Fidelity and Casualty Co., the special appearance and objection to jurisdiction filed by defendant was argued, submitted and overruled. Defendant given ten days in which to answer.

The case of Manda Wiley vs. George Wiley, the prayer of the plaintiff asking for a decree of divorce was brought to trial and the default of defendant entered and the decree of divorce granted as prayed for, on the ground of cruelty.

Will Observe Mothers' Day.

The members of the Sunday school of the Christian church will observe Mothers' Day next Sunday morning, May 9th, at their Sunday school hour, 9:45 o'clock. They are preparing a very nice program of songs and recitations. Everybody is invited to come and hear this program and especially do they urge the mothers of the children of the Sunday school and members of this church to attend. 5-6-2td