

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE COMMERCIAL CLUB

Several Committees Appointed and an Interesting Address by Lee Sharp of This City.

From Friday's Daily.
The Commercial club meeting last evening was not as extensively attended as it should have been, owing to the home talent play which was produced at the Parmele theater, and those who failed to attend missed a rather interesting meeting and a splendid talk by Lee C. Sharp on some of the things which had been accomplished in his shop and foundry here, as well as some of the things he expected to do in this line.

President Wescott announced his list of committees of the club, as well as the board of directors of the organization for the ensuing year as follows:

Directors—T. H. Pollock, R. F. Patterson, C. W. Baylor, J. P. Falter, E. A. Wurl, A. L. Tidd, Philip Thierolf, William Baird, E. J. Richey, C. C. Parmele, John Gorder, Frank Bestor, L. L. Wiles, R. A. Bates.

Committee on Membership—E. A. Wurl, August Clويد, Henry Goos.

Committee on Publicity—A. L. Tidd, R. B. Windham, R. A. Bates, G. R. Olson, L. C. Sharp.

Committee on Railroads—T. H. Pollock, C. C. Parmele, Will Clement, Harry Thomas.

Lookout Committee—William Barclay, J. H. McMaken, Claus Boetel, I. N. Cummings, W. P. Cook, E. B. Perry, G. W. Olson.

Committee on Good Roads—E. J. Richey, William Baird, L. L. Wiles, John Gorder, J. H. McMaken, C. W. Baylor.

Committee on Council—F. M. Bestor, R. F. Patterson, J. P. Sattler, A. L. Tidd.

Committee on Industries, New and Old—J. P. Falter, Philip Thierolf, John Nemetz, Frank Schlater.

Committee on Entertainment—W. A. Robertson, Clyde Fuller, Jess Wurga, Dr. O. Sandin, G. H. McMaken, John Hatt.

Committee on Plattsmouth Needs—Mrs. William Baird, Mrs. E. A. Wurl, Mrs. G. H. Falter, Mrs. E. C. Hill, Mrs. G. L. Farley, Mrs. C. L. Carlson, Miss Bernice Newell, Mrs. James Allison.

Fred Dawson, who had been appointed as a committee to look up a location for an athletic club, reported that Coates' hall was the most likely location that could be found and that the apparatus used in the German Turner hall could be secured and placed in the hall if the committee would guarantee that it would be kept in good shape and returned to the hall in as good condition as it was at present.

President Wescott urged that the attendance at the club meetings should be better and that the members of the Commercial club should regard the meeting night as one which demanded their attendance.

The avenue paving was discussed at some length by the members and citizens present and all were of the opinion that the work should be carried out as soon as possible. J. H. McMaken, as one of the property owners who would be subject to being taxed for the Washington avenue paving, stated that he was very much in favor of the proposition and from experience knew that the work was very much needed. All the roads leading into the city were in need of some method of keeping them in passable condition and the paving was the best way to solve the problem. The paving, Mr. McMaken stated, would more than double the value of property along the avenues and he was strongly for it.

Chief of Police Barclay reported that there had been fourteen families move into the city and two move out, which made a good showing for the increase in the population of the city. He also spoke a few words of praise for the management of the Hotel Riley, which under Mr. Grippen was showing a great deal of improvement, and he thought that as an advertisement of the town that there was nothing better than a good hotel, and the Riley deserves the support of the business men. This sentiment was also

expressed by President Wescott, who urged the merchants to endeavor to have their salesmen who dealt with them stop at the hotel here instead of rushing into Omaha for their hotel accommodations.

Lee C. Sharp, in an informal manner, told a few of the things which were being accomplished at his factory and foundry in this city. While the work did so far was largely of a preliminary nature, it had cost him in the neighborhood of \$8,000 and each day was being improved. There was no reason why Plattsmouth should not have as good a foundry and manufacturing plant as any town in the country, as it has all the facilities for shipping and is situated between the west and Chicago. The plant here was being thoroughly prepared for the purpose he had new equipment and castings of all kinds and for this purpose he had new equipment entirely in the foundry, as well as new machinery in the main shop and a first-class heating plant to assist in allowing the work to be carried on with success. A picture of the new tractor manufactured by the plant here was shown by Mr. Sharp, which attracted a great deal of attention from the members present. Mr. Sharp stated that only the highest class of mechanics were employed in the machine shops and there was no reason in the world why there should not be a plant here employing several hundred first-class machinists at high wages if the business was handled properly, and he was going to endeavor to see that the plant here was made a winner, as there was a great deal of work they had been compelled to pass up owing to the fact that they were not in a position to handle it at the present time.

MISS ROSE BULIN INJURED IN THE BRIDGE ACCIDENT IN OMAHA

From Friday's Daily.
Miss Rose Bulin arrived home last evening from Omaha, where she is employed, being called here by the serious illness of her mother, and yesterday morning had a very exciting experience, being a passenger on the street car which collided with the auto truck of James Murray on the Douglas street bridge, and which accident resulted in the death of Mr. Murray and the hurling of his car over the bridge to destruction sixty feet below on the railroad tracks on the Nebraska side of the bridge. Miss Bulin, when the collision occurred, was thrown to the floor of the car by the force of the shock, and while she was pinned in this position someone stepped on her hand during the general excitement and panic and mashed a ring she was wearing into the flesh of her finger, and it was found necessary to have the ring cut off from the finger, which was badly bruised and swollen as a result of the accident. Miss Bulin, however, considers herself lucky that the accident was not more serious.

MATTER OF MATTHEW GERING VS. MRS. VELMA CASSITY, SETTLED

From Friday's Daily.
A settlement has been reached in the county court in the case of Matthew Gering against Mrs. Velma Cassity, and the estate of James Cassity, in which the plaintiff sought to collect attorney fees for services at the time of the death of Mr. Cassity in the Burlington yards in this city. The amount decided upon as the amount of the fee was \$300, which has settled the matter, as Mr. Gering withdrew his civil suit for \$1,000. Mrs. Cassity and son, Earl, received \$7,000 from the Burlington railroad as a settlement of all claims as the result of the death of Mr. Cassity, who was employed as a switchman by the railroad at the time of his death.

Mrs. Ben Meuchau of Eagle, who is here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Smith, departed this morning on the early Burlington train for Omaha, where she will spend the day.

"A QUEST FOR A GOWN" LAST NIGHT AT THE PARMELE

The Play Was Well Rendered by Home Talent, and All Performed Their Parts Well.

From Friday's Daily.
The Parmele theater was well filled last evening by a delighted audience to witness the production of "A Quest for a Gown," was presented by the young people of this city under the auspices of Fontenelle chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The play, which was a pleasing musical comedy, was presented in a most creditable manner by the young people and afforded a most delightful entertainment to all who were present.

For the past few weeks the members of the company have been practicing very diligently on the musical comedy under the direction of Mrs. Laird and Miss Alderman, the producers of the tuneful offering. A great deal of the success of the show may be ascribed to the efforts of Mrs. Ellen Pollock Minor, regent of the local chapter of the D. A. R., who has arranged a great many of the details for bringing forth the successful production and assisting the talented ladies who have had charge of the actual drilling of the young people in the different roles and in the chorus.

"A Quest for a Gown" is laid in three acts and throughout there are many clever and catchy musical numbers introduced, which served to hold the attention and interest of the audience, and in these the High school orchestra assisted very much by their rendition of the score of musical comedy.

Miss Edith Dovey appeared as the leading lady of the production and around her role as "Margaret" was woven a very pleasing love story, and in her part Miss Dovey was most pleasing and displayed a great deal of talent and charm of personality. As Ronald Drane, a society leader, who had fallen in love with "Margaret," Wade Martin, of Fremont, was exceptionally clever, and by his part in the play added very much to the pleasing manner in which the play was given. Jennings Seivers as "Col. Fairbury," the grandfather, was right at home in the role and made a hit in his part, as did Miss Gretchen Donnelly as "Daisy," the sedate granddaughter. As "May Drane," the world wise New York girl, Miss Barbara Clement was most charming and added a pleasing touch to the play. One of the cleverest of the company of young people was Bruce Rosenkrans, who appeared as "Dutchy," a hotel registrar, and both in appearance and in his clever acting he kept everyone laughing, and certainly as a German comedian was exceptionally good. The role of "Brown," the undertaker, in love, was taken by Ben Windham and in his baffling love, as well as his desire to boost his business, he pleased everyone. Carl Schmidtmann as Mr. S. A. R. of the old soldiers' committee, carried out his part in excellent shape.

Don Randall, "a jolly young dream man," was enacted by Major Hall in a manner that won new laurels for this exceptionally clever young man. In the roles of Mrs. Familree and Mrs. D. A. R., Misses Bernese Newell and Ellen Windham did their part toward making the production a big success. The one big hit of the entire performance, however, was that of June Marshall and George Dovey, who as the two "bellhops" throughout the play were much in evidence, and in their specialties were of the very best and pleased everyone. In the specialty given by the "Old Maid," the audience were given another treat which was much enjoyed.

While the principals were given the chief opportunities for displaying their talents, the members of the chorus added very much to the general success and pleasure of the musical numbers and all of the young ladies and gentlemen taking part deserve great credit for their work. While it is impossible to devote the space to an extensive review of the musical comedy, it was one of the most pleasing that has been shown here and reflected credit upon all those taking part.

Seeks Citizenship Papers.

From Friday's Daily.
Two of the residents of this city have made application in the office of the clerk of the district court for their final citizenship papers and will be passed on at the next meeting of the district court to take up such matters. Thomas Sedlock, a native of Bohemia, who has been a resident of the United States since April 7, 1902, was one of the applicants, and Max Pfitzner, a native of Germany, who arrived in this country May 21, 1908, was the other. Both of these gentlemen have resided in this city since their arrival from the old world.

FRED WAGNER HAS GREATLY IMPROVED HIS RESTAURANT

From Saturday's Daily.
There has been quite a number of improvements made in the restaurant of Fred Wagner, which will tend to increase the facilities of the restaurant and add very much to the comfort and pleasure of those who are patrons of this home of good things to eat. One of the improvements is a large, fine hotel range which is the finest in the city and ample to care for all the demands that may be made upon it. It is a "Commander" range and is provided with two large ovens which will take care of the baking of the restaurant, while the top space on the stove will be ample for all needs. In addition to this, Mr. Wagner has the gas range for use, and the two will allow him to handle all kinds of business from the largest to the smallest order. New washing sinks for dishes have also been placed in the kitchen with all the latest devices for saving time and labor. Everything in the kitchen is strictly sanitary and up-to-date and Mr. Wagner feels he has as complete and up-to-date establishment as can be found in a town of this size.

DEATH COMES TO THE RELIEF OF MRS. ANNA BULIN THIS MORNING

From Saturday's Daily.
This morning at 3:30 o'clock Mrs. Anna Bulin, one of the most highly esteemed ladies in the city, passed away at her home on Lincoln avenue after an illness of some duration, being a sufferer from cancer of the stomach. Mrs. Bulin had not been in the best of health for the last year, but it was only in the last two months that she was thought to be dangerously ill, and has since gradually grown worse until her death.

Mrs. Bulin was born in Austria some fifty-four years ago and was married there to Mr. B. J. Bulin. Later Mr. and Mrs. Bulin came to America, and for the past twenty years have made their home in Plattsmouth, where their family has been reared and where they have been esteemed among our best citizens. The death of Mrs. Bulin comes as a severe blow to the husband and children, who will miss the loving care and attention of the faithful wife and mother more than words can tell, and in their grief the heartfelt sympathy of the entire community will go out to them in their loss. Besides the husband, eight children, James, Otto, Joseph, Edward, Marie, Rosa, Barbara Bulin and Mrs. Fred Rice, are left to mourn the death of this good woman. All the children reside in this city with the exception of Mrs. Rice, who lives at Boy Rivers, Minnesota.

The funeral services of Mrs. Bulin will be held from the late home Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock and will be in charge of the Bohemian lodge, the Z. C. B. J., of which she was a most faithful member.

Unintentionally Omitted.

From Saturday's Daily.
In the account of the performance of "A Quest for a Gown" in last evening's Journal the name of Miss Edna Petersen was omitted from the list of those who had an important part in making the play a success by their part in it, and we take this means of giving Miss Petersen the credit that is justly due her for her charming rendition of the character given her in the performance.

FOUR MILE CREEK ON A BOOM, AND DOING DAMAGE

High Water Drains a Couple of Good Horses, and Herman Gansemere's Hired Man Has Narrow Escape.

From Friday's Daily.
The warm weather of the past three days has melted the snow and ice which for the past two months has lain over the hills of this section of Nebraska and the result has been that in this time a great deal of water has been poured into the creeks and small streams throughout this section and the conditions are almost as bad as in flood time in early spring.

The Pappio creek, just above La Platte, in Sarpy county, has been on a rampage for the past two days, and railroad employes are kept on the job to try and keep the floating ice at the mouth of the stream where it empties into the Missouri from forming a gorge and doing a great deal of damage, but despite their efforts the stream has overflowed the bottoms and the Missouri Pacific line from this city to Omaha was out of commission this morning and it was necessary to detour the trains around the washout to reach the metropolis. The mid-night train over this road last night ran very slowly for a mile or more through the water which covered the tracks and was quite late in reaching this city. The Burlington has so far been more fortunate in this respect, as the Missouri Pacific has borne the greatest part of the flood, being situated farther away from the mouth of the stream.

The Four Mile creek, west of this city, has also been running at flood stage and is reported as being impassable at a number of points, owing to the creek having overflowed into the roadways, and in a number of places it was up over the floors of the smaller bridges last night, and this was the cause of a very serious loss to Herman Gansemere, one of the leading young farmers, who is moving back to Cass county from Cedar county, where he had been residing for the past two years. Mr. Gansemere was engaged with his hired man in moving his stock and household goods from the depot in Mynard out to the farm, where he will reside during the coming year, and in order to reach the farm it was necessary to cross the Four Mile creek west of Mynard. The creek was up and the water standing over the roadway in a number of places when they arrived to try and cross, and Mr. Gansemere succeeded in crossing all right with one team, but as the hired man attempted to drive onto the bridge he missed the structure and in an instant the team and wagon had been swept into the waters of the creek and before the team could be reached both horses, valued at \$400, had been drowned, as well as a number of chickens which were in the wagon. The hired man had the greatest difficulty in reaching the shore, and if he had remained only a few minutes more in the water would have drowned. A number of hogs were in the wagon, but these were saved from drowning. While quite a loss, it is fortunate that the young man employed by Mr. Gansemere was not drowned in the angry waters.

ADAM KURTZ IS IN VERY SERIOUS CONDITION AT THIS TIME

Mrs. Adam Kurtz and son, J. F. Gabler, departed this morning for Omaha in response to a message announcing that Mr. Adam Kurtz was gradually growing weaker and with a serious relapse was not expected to live through the day. Mr. Kurtz has been in very poor health for the last few months and was taken to Omaha two weeks ago to be placed under the care of a specialist in the hopes that he might be benefited, but the weakened condition of the patient, with his advanced years, made the case a very serious one and he has not shown the desired improvement and last night his condition became such as to demand the calling of the family to his bedside. This serious condition of Mr. Kurtz will be greatly regretted by his many old friends in this city, who had been hoping that he might find relief in the treatment afforded him in Omaha.

JOHN WUNDERLICH HAPPY GRANDFATHER OF A FINE BABY BOY

News was telephoned to this city at an early hour this morning that John Wunderlich, candidate for the democratic nomination for sheriff, had become a proud grandfather, as the stork visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Adams, at Nehawka, early this morning and left with them a fine new son and heir. The mother and little one are reported as doing nicely and the addition to the family has been most gratifying to the genial grandfather, as well as to the other members of the family.

W. D. WHEELER FILES FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER

From Saturday's Daily.
This afternoon William D. Wheeler filed his intention to become a candidate before the democratic primary for the office of commissioner from the First district. Mr. Wheeler is well known to the voters of the county, having filled the office of sheriff for four years and county treasurer for four years. The office of commissioner is held at present by Julius A. Pitz, who is also a democrat and a candidate for re-election for his second term.

ELMWOOD COUPLE MARRIED IN LINCOLN WEDNESDAY, FEB. 16

From Saturday's Daily.
On Wednesday afternoon, February 16, at 2 o'clock, at Trinity M. E. church in Lincoln, occurred the marriage of Miss Pearl O. Weichel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Weichel of this city, to Mr. Pliny R. (Dick) Elliott, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Elliott, residing northwest of town. Announcements of the marriage, which were given out immediately, served as quite a surprise to the many friends of the young couple, although it was quite generally known that they were to be married soon. Rev. Tompkins, pastor of the Trinity church, spoke the words which united the lives of the happy young couple. The ceremony was witnessed by Roy Cole of Plattsmouth, second cousin of the bride, and Richard Elliott of Lincoln, uncle of the groom.

The bride, a graduate of the Elmwood High school, is one of our most charming and accomplished young ladies. The bride and groom are both well and favorably known here, having been born and reared right in this community. They come from highly respected families, and they enjoy a very wide circle of friends, with whom the Leader-Echo is pleased to join in wishing them the fullest measure of joy and happiness as they journey through life together.

Mr. Elliott has rented the farm four miles northwest of Elmwood belonging to the bride's father, and they will soon go to housekeeping and be at home there after March 15th.—Elmwood Leader-Echo.

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Receives a Fine Cockrel.

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This morning C. C. Wescott, the Buff-Orpington chicken fancier, received from the Roger Poultry yards of Sioux City one of the finest cockrels that has been brought into this city. The bird comes of the purest strains of the Buff-Orpingtons and is without a blemish or any off-coloring, being a perfect golden buff with a large fine double comb. It weighs in the neighborhood of ten pounds and will make a splendid addition to the yard of Mr. Wescott, who has mighty fine birds which have received many prizes from the judges of fine poultry.

SERIOUS SHOOTING SCRAPE OCCURRED THIS AFTERNOON

W. P. COOK SHOTS ARLO M'CLAREN, WHO WAS AN OCCUPANT OF HIS HOUSE.

The Trouble Grew Out of a Dispute Over the Rent of House Owned by Cook.

This afternoon shortly after 3 o'clock a very serious shooting scrape occurred at the residence of W. P. Cook, and as a result of which Arlo McClaren received a very serious gunshot wound in the small of the back from the weapon in the hands of Mr. Cook.

As far as could be learned as we go to press the affair grew out of a dispute over rent which McClaren was owing Cook. Mr. Cook had decided to eject the McClaren family, who lived in a part of his residence property, and accordingly had piled the household goods out in the yard.

Mrs. McClaren had gone to the residence of one of the neighbors and secured someone to notify her husband. He came home at once and discovered the fact that the household goods were all out of the house and the door locked. He at once kicked in the door leading into that part of the Cook house which he had been occupying and, he states, that as he did so he discovered Mr. Cook in the house armed with a shotgun, which McClaren states, he threatened him with. McClaren then says he grabbed the gun and attempted to push it to one side just as Mr. Cook pulled the trigger, and the shot tore a glancing wound across the small of McClaren's back.

The neighbors, aroused at the shooting, notified the authorities, and McClaren was conveyed to the office of Dr. E. W. Cook, where the injury was dressed. While the injury is not in any way fatal, it makes a very nasty wound.

Mr. Cook was placed under arrest after the shooting to await the outcome of the case.

MISS MURPHY ARRIVES AND IN CHARGE OF MRS. PEASE'S MILLINERY

This morning Miss Murphy, who is to have charge of the trimming department at the millinery store of Mrs. Emma Pease, arrived to take up her duties in this splendidly equipped store. Miss Murphy comes very highly recommended from the house of Gage Brothers, of Chicago, makers of the wonderfully popular line of Gage Brothers hats, which are known all over the country, and the new trimmer is experienced in all lines of the business and will be able to afford the ladies of Plattsmouth a rare opportunity to secure as fine and up-to-date millinery as can be found in any store in the country. It is the desire of Mrs. Pease to afford her patrons the best and largest line of modern millinery that can be bought, and with the services of the artistic trimmer there will be no reason why the most discriminating lady cannot find what is desired in the way of millinery at the Pease store. The ladies in search of millinery should call and see the beautiful array of hats which are being prepared for the trade by Miss Murphy and her assistants.

Married at the Court House.

From Friday's Daily.
This morning at the court house County Judge Beeson united in marriage Mr. Dwight Propst and Miss Clara Prohaska. Both of the young people reside in this city.