

# ADDRESS TO THE VOTERS OF PLATTSMOUTH

### The Board of Education Needs More Money to Build School House According to Plans.

From Wednesday's Daily. At the general election held last April a bond issue of \$50,000 was voted for the erection of a new High School and Grade Building. The Board of Education immediately thereafter set themselves to the task of securing an architect, deciding upon plans, disposing of the bonds and securing a contractor to build the building.

After going carefully over the plans submitted by ten leading architects of Nebraska and Iowa, the firm chosen was that of Berlinghoff and Davis of Lincoln, distinguished as school architects throughout this section.

Various plans were submitted to them and finally one agreed upon, which Superintendent Brooks and the Board of Education considered adequate to present needs and probable future requirements.

Bids were called for covering the erection, heating, plumbing, and lighting of this building.

Meanwhile the bonds were sold to Mr. C. C. Parmele of Plattsmouth who offered the largest premium for the same.

The bids from contractors were opened by the Board on Thursday afternoon, August 3rd. They were carefully tabulated and considered by the entire Board in session during the afternoon and evening. The Board was disappointed to find that the bidders were all far in excess of the amount available, \$50,000, and while the lowest bidder on the general contract was the local firm of Peters and Richards, the bid was too high to permit of letting the contract. The lowest bid on the electrical work was also a local firm—Warga and Schulte.

The unforeseen and unprecedented rise in the price of all building materials since last winter when the Board settled upon the amount to be asked for at April election accounts for the bids submitted being so far in excess of the mark set.

The Board feels that the public should be informed of the exact facts in the case and herewith presents them for your consideration, as the matter of a school building is not a school board concern, but one which involves every taxpayer and child in the city.

There are three courses of action which might be pursued at this time and the Board submits them to the choice of the people:

First: To so decrease the size of the building as to come within the \$50,000 in hand. This would mean to eliminate the seventh and eighth grades from the building and abandon the proposed plan, which, according to the best judgment of the board, the wisdom of Superintendent Brooks and the council of the architect are only sufficient to cover the present requirements and a normal increase for the next generation.

Second: To erect the proposed building and leave a large portion entirely unfinished.

Third: To call upon the voters for an additional bond issue of \$15,000 at a special election to be called, and thus be enabled to erect and complete the proposed building.

The board feels that this is a business proposition covering one of the most vital issues of our community life. We have given hours and days during the last six months to the problem of securing a plant of which the city might be proud, and which would stand for many years to come as a home for our school system. We have endeavored to look upon the problem, not as one of today or tomorrow, but for the future years. After months of investigation and inspection we are satisfied that a plant suitable to the needs of Plattsmouth cannot be built at the present prices of material and labor, for \$50,000, and for this reason are unanimous in our opinion that the third alternative mentioned above is the only proper solution of the matter.

We therefore submit it with this brief statement to the judgment and wishes of our citizens, whom we feel are one with us in desiring that the wise course may be pursued at this time.

The official set of plans for the proposed new high school and grade building is in the hands of the secretary of the board, and may be seen and examined by any person sufficiently interested to call at his office. A picture of this building, together with data concerning its capacity and facilities will be on display in a public

place as soon as same can be prepared by the architect. Respectfully submitted. THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

## BASE BALL DURING HOME COMING WEEK

During the Home Coming days several red hot base ball games will be staged at the Red Sox park between the local team and several of the best in this part of the state. On the opening day, August 31st, the team from Greenwood will be on deck to entertain the lovers of good base ball while on Friday, September 1st, the organization representing Avoca will come up to try and trim up the Sox. The Avoca team will be piloted by Will Fahenstock and he has promised to bring a real fast aggregation up to give an exhibition of the national pastime. For the game on Saturday, September 2nd, the Omaha Gas Co. team, with Cleve Hull in charge will come down from the big city to entertain the fans again with one of their usual pleasing exhibitions and this will in all probabilities be one of the best games of the series. For Sunday and Monday, September 3rd and 4th, the Armours, the hardest hitting aggregation in the Greater Omaha League will have the honor of contending with the Red Sox. All these games will be of the very highest standard and will afford much pleasure to the real thoroughbred fans and will give everyone an opportunity of witnessing them.

## A BIG BOOM FOR THE CITY OF PLATTSMOUTH

From Wednesday's Daily. The August edition of the Lincoln Telephone News, the monthly publication issued by the Lincoln Telephone and Telegraph company, is largely in the nature of a Plattsmouth edition and has a splendid writeup of a few of the recent improvements and developments in the city, which certainly will be appreciated as a worthy recognition by the telephone company of this city. The cover of the News has several views of the great Burlington shops which are located here, in the original home of the Burlington railroad, and also a view of the bridge over the Missouri river, erected at a cost of over \$1,000,000. The book has a very interesting story of the development of the city, which has been illustrated with views of the court house, Elks' club, Main street, U. S. government building, the Nebraska Masonic Home and a view of the Platte river auto and wagon bridge. The Lincoln Telephone company that serves our people has certainly shown the true spirit of recognition of what Plattsmouth justly commands among the live cities of the state. Mr. J. K. Pollock, the local manager, has built up a splendid exchange in this city, with subscribers running well into the hundreds, and has had an important part in securing the interesting exposition of the city of Plattsmouth and its numerous industries and resources. The magazine also has a large number of articles of interest to the employes of the company.

## EIGHT PLATTSMOUTH PEOPLE IN IMMANUEL HOSPITAL

From Wednesday's Daily. The sick people from this city who are at the Immanuel hospital number eight, and all are getting along nicely and seem on the highway to complete recovery. Mrs. Frank E. Schlater and Dr. J. B. Martin are both in such condition that it is thought that they can return home the last of the week. John B. Kaffenberger, Miss Clara Hunter, Ed Stava and Miss Minnie Otterstine are all getting along fine, and Henry C. Miller is showing signs of improvement, although he has only been there a short time. Will Owens who was shot here in a fight is getting along in fine shape. This number of patients in one hospital, as well as several others from this locality, certainly seems to indicate that we should have a hospital here to care for the sick.

## DEPARTS FOR WYOMING.

On last Sunday E. J. Mougey drove from his home near Union, to Omaha, with his son, Louis, who was en route to Port Washaga, Wyo., where he will make a few weeks' visit at the home of his sister, Mrs. Carl Cross. For several summers Louis has been troubled with hay fever a little later in the season, and in making this trip west he expects to escape the siege this year. He will remain with his sister until after the fever season passes over this country.

## CELEBRATION OF HALF-CENTURY OF WEDDED LIFE

### Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Weybright Celebrate Their Golden Wedding, and Hundreds of Friends Call to Pay Respects.

Yesterday afternoon and last evening "Clover Lodge" the charming home of Judge and Mrs. A. J. Beeson, west of the city, was the scene of much pleasure and enjoyment when the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Weybright gathered with them to assist in the celebration of their golden wedding anniversary. To this happy event the friends came from far and near and joined in the observance of the culmination of the half century of wedded life that this estimable lady and gentleman have just completed and for the old friends to have them back in old Nebraska for the observance of the anniversary that meant so much to them.

The Beeson home had been decorated in a most charming manner for the anniversary and throughout the home the note of the color scheme was made in gold—in keeping with the spirit of the occasion, and in both the stately golden red and deep golden hearted roses used profusely throughout the rooms the sentiment of the hour was borne out. The scene was one charming to the eye as the many old friends came and went showering on the happy bride and groom of '66 their heartiest congratulations and to them it was a day of pleasure and memory as they looked back over the years gone by, now hallowed by the past and dreamed of the future years of future joy as they continued life's journey together.

The bride and groom and the receiving party were seated in the handsomely arranged parlor of the home and in addition to the bride and groom there were Mrs. Beveridge, Mrs. T. B. Brown, of Los Angeles; Mrs. Joseph Jefferies, of Olympia, Wash., sisters of Mrs. Weybright; Mrs. Allen Beeson and Mrs. J. W. Seivers, who had been one of the bridesmaids of the original wedding fifty years before in Virginia, in the receiving line. The parlor was very prettily arranged with clusters of Golden Rod while on the piano a huge bouquet of roses sent by Wade Hampton Chapter, of the Daughters of the Confederacy occupied the place of honor. Mrs. Weybright is a member of this chapter at Los Angeles, and they had sent this remembrance half way across the continent to grace the occasion. Mrs. Weybright carried a handsome bouquet of the deep golden hued roses while a spray of orange blooms sent by friends from the Pacific coast was worn by the charming bride of a half century.

The gift room where the wealth of beautiful and costly gifts were placed was in charge of Mrs. Allen J. Beeson and Miss Gertrude Beeson and the remembrances received by Mr. and Mrs. Weybright were numerous and very beautiful and expressed the deep feeling of friendship in which they were held by the friends in this state where they have spent almost a half century. Here the guest book was placed where the friends could leave their best wishes for the guests of honor of the occasion.

During the afternoon and evening the dining room was in charge of a bevy of charming young ladies assisting Mrs. Beeson in the serving of the dainty and delicious refreshments and which served to add very much to the delights of the occasion. Those assisting in the serving were Misses Elizabeth, Grace and Virginia Beeson, Virginia Hanson, Edison, Neb.; Dora Wills, Lillian Dwyer, Marion Mauzey, Eleanor Burnie, during the afternoon and in the evening Mrs. J. E. Wiles, Mrs. Luke L. Wiles, Mrs. R. B. Hayes and Mrs. Annie Britt assisted in the serving. The serving table was decorated in the golden color scheme.

At the evening hours of the reception a very delightful program was given consisting of a reading by Mrs. William Baird and vocal numbers by Mrs. E. H. Wescott, Miss Eda Marquardt and Miss Hazel Tuey while Mr. E. H. Wescott gave a pleasing instrumental number on the piano. The program was one that was most enjoyable to the large number present and each of the talented members of the party present were heard at their best. The golden wedding of this estimable couple will long be pleasantly remembered by everyone present and the bride and groom were showered with the heartiest best wishes of the host of friends with the wish that they may celebrate many more such happy anniversaries in the future.

Morgan Weybright and Miss Elizabeth Brantner were united in marriage in Highland county, Virginia, August 16, 1866, just at the close of

the long war in which the groom had served so valiantly with the army of his native state in behalf of the defense of the Old Dominion, and at the close returned to find his sweetheart waiting for his coming and there in the heart of the great southland they were joined for life. The wedding ceremony of Mr. and Mrs. Weybright was performed by Rev. Robert Butt, a minister of the Methodist church, long since called away. One of the pleasant features of the golden wedding was that Mrs. J. W. Seivers, who had been one of the attendants at the wedding in old Virginia, was present to take part in the pleasant occasion. Shortly after their marriage Mr. and Mrs. Weybright came west to Plattsmouth and located in this city which remained their home until 1905 when they removed to Los Angeles, Calif., where they have since resided and in the future will enjoy their declining years in the enjoyment of their well earned rest in the delights of the coast country, but still to them the old home for forty years, has a strong claim upon their affections as well as the many old friends who have had such an important part in their life.

To Mr. and Mrs. Weybright will be extended the best wishes of their host of friends and with these the Journal desires to be remembered in wishing them many more years of happiness and that the future may be filled with only good fortune and the store of good luck they so well deserve. The out of town guests present were Albert Weybright and wife of Ashland, brother of Mr. Weybright; Mrs. Joseph Jefferies, Olympia, Wash.; Mrs. T. B. Brown, Los Angeles, sisters of Mrs. Weybright; Mrs. Ben Elson, Los Angeles; Miss Virginia Hanson, of Edison, Neb., a niece of the guests of honor.

## AGED MAN PASSES AWAY AT THE COUNTY FARM TODAY

From Wednesday's Daily. This morning Isaac Gates, an aged resident at the county farm west of the city, passed away quite suddenly and his death was not discovered until it was desired to awaken the man when he was found resting in the sleep that knows no awakening. Mr. Gates has been at the farm only three days being brought here from Eagle, his former home by County Commissioner Henry Stroeke and was turned over to the care of Mr. Tams as he was in quite feeble health. The deceased leaves a number of relatives residing in the vicinity of Eagle and Lincoln.

## AN OLD RESIDENT.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ost of Springfield and Mr. Fred Ost, father of Henry, were in Plattsmouth for a few hours today, en route to their old home near Nehawka. The senior Mr. Ost is now a resident of Stockton, Cal., where he moved about ten years ago. Thirty years ago Mr. Ost was a resident of this city. He has been at the home of his son, near Springfield, for the past few weeks. While in the city Mrs. Ost called at this office and had the paper sent to the father's address in California.

## ANNOUNCEMENT.

I have taken over the Ford agency and have placed orders for several car loads of Ford automobiles, and will keep on hand a full stock of Ford repairs. For the present my office will remain in the Riley Hotel block, where I shall be glad to meet Ford owners, and would suggest that those wanting cars, should place their orders with me at once as, on account of the recent cut in Ford prices the demand is going to exceed the supply.

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Mrs. Ella Bissett and little daughter of York, Neb., accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Linerman of Cleveland, O., arrived in the city last evening and will visit here for some time at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wiles, and with Mrs. Henry Spangler and family.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County, ss. Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH MEDICINE. FRANK J. CHENEY. Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886. A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

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## SON OF A FORMER CITIZEN KILLED BY AN AUTO IN OMAHA

Last night in Omaha occurred the tragic death of William Gorham, a son of Ira O. Gorham, and for many years a resident of this city, and who will be remembered by many of our citizens. The little lad is a nephew of Mrs. John Boetel and Albert Funk of this city and for many years the Gorham family resided north of this place near the standpipe. In speaking of the accident the Omaha Bee has the following account:

Four men walked into the police station soon after 9 o'clock last evening, two of them were dazed and half crying and the others had bloody shirt fronts. One of the men was I. O. Gorham, whose 9-year-old son, William, had been killed by an automobile at Twenty-fifth avenue and Farnam street less than an hour before.

Another member of this strange group was C. T. Lambert, 1813 Capitol avenue, who drove the car that killed the boy. The third was H. M. Binder, 2501 Farnam street who saw the boy crushed, picked him up and, in Lambert's car rushed him to the Wise Memorial hospital. The fourth was a brother of Binder.

The four men stood in the station until someone asked them what they wanted, and then told their story. The boy had been struck, taken to the hospital, had died, and the coroner had been notified. Yet the first news the police had was when the principals in the tragedy told their story to Captain Helfeldt.

The Gorham boy was going on an errand with 14-year-old Lenora Burton, who lives with the Gorhams. At Twenty-fifth avenue and Farnam street an automobile was standing. The two children started to cross the street in front of this standing car.

Half way out they saw a street car coming east. They started back. Lambert was coming east also, nearly abreast of the street car and at about fifteen miles an hour, he said. The boy was struck and one wheel went over his shoulder.

Mr. Binder and his brother picked up the little victim, and Lambert, who had stopped, carried them to Wise Memorial hospital, only two blocks away.

The doctors there said the boy had received a fracture at the base of the brain and other injuries, which rendered death almost instantaneous.

Lambert was held in jail without bond to await the verdict of the coroner.

## PRELIMINARY HEARING CONTINUED TO AUGUST 22

This morning in the county court a continuance was taken in the preliminary hearing of William, Edward and Jesse Beshus, or Marshal, as they are known, who were charged with having assaulted Officer William Wilson with intent to do great bodily injury. The attorney for the defendants, R. W. Patrick of South Omaha, has secured a writ of habeas corpus from the district court, which will be heard before Judge Begley tomorrow. The purpose of the writ is to secure a bond for the three defendants, which was fixed at \$2,500 each by Judge Beeson, and on presentation of Frank Beshus, the father, as security for the amount for the security of the three men bond was refused by the county court, and it will now be left to Judge Begley to determine whether or not the father's property is sufficient guarantee of the amount of the bond. County Attorney Cole stated to the court that it was possible that the present charge against the men might be dismissed and a more serious offense charged as the condition of Mr. Wilson was very critical at this time. The preliminary hearing, by consent of both the state and the attorney for the defense, was continued until Tuesday, August 22.

## EAGLES TO PICNIC SUNDAY.

The members of the Eagles' lodge and families will hold a picnic on next Sunday, August 20, at the Schlater & Fitzgerald grove north of the city. All members of the order and their families are invited to be present as this will be strictly for the members of the order and no one that is not a member of the Eagles or of the family of the members will be permitted to attend. Cars can be found at the Eagle club rooms all day to convey picnicers out to the grounds.

George M. Hild and wife and children were among the passengers this morning for Omaha, where they will spend a short time in that city looking after a few matters of business.

Letter files at the Journal office.

## W. W. WASLEY STILL IN THE RING WITH ANOTHER AGENCY

W. W. Wasley, who for so long was in charge of the Ford interests here, has again engaged in the automobile business and is the Plattsmouth representative of the famous "Four-Ninety" Chevrolet automobile, manufactured by the Chevrolet Motor company of Flint, Mich. This car is a beauty in every way, and Mr. Wasley, in the few days that he has had his first car here, has interested a great many of the auto owners in the possibilities of the new machine. This car is sold for \$490, f. o. b. Flint. He will have his headquarters at the Hitchmann & Fitt garage, on lower Main street.

## LINEUP OF BRANDEIS BALL TEAM WHICH PLAYS HERE SUNDAY

Manager C. F. Bradford of the Brandeis baseball club of Omaha has sent to Manager Schneider of the Red Sox his line up for the game here Sunday which will permit the fans to see the more prominent of the Omaha semi-professional players. The lineup as submitted by Mr. Bradford for the game is as follows:

- Vanons ..... first base
- Novitsky ..... first base
- Graham ..... second base
- Clair ..... third base
- Woodruff ..... shortstop
- Roben ..... left field
- Sutey ..... left field
- Dyger ..... center field
- Lawler ..... right field
- Lyeck ..... catcher
- Rhode ..... pitcher
- Olson ..... pitcher

The visitors will drive down by automobile at 1 o'clock Sunday if the weather permits, and be all ready for the game. Connors will do the pitching for the Red Sox team.

## PLATTSMOUTH IS TO BE ON GREAT NATIONAL HIGHWAY

Plattsmouth is to be placed on the fourth national highway that is being platted and logged through the west, as today, Messrs. W. W. Brown, M. J. Knight and Dr. J. C. Cornell of Parsons, Kan., were in the city, on their way from Galveston, Tex., to Winnipeg, Canada, logging the King trail that has been projected between these two points. These gentlemen will be followed in a short time by a trail marking car that will mark out the route that will stretch from the Gulf of Mexico to the Manitoba capital. With the George Washington highway, the Sunset trail from New York to San Francisco, the Omaha-Kansas City Scenic Route and the King trail passing through this city, Plattsmouth and Cass county will be right in the front of the national good roads movement. These highways will bring tourists from all sections of the United States through this city and be a splendid advertisement to the resources of this section of the state. The gentlemen from Kansas are of the opinion that the ideal route lies through this city and were well pleased with the condition of the roads through this locality, which, with a little work can be made the best in the country. There is nothing that develops a country faster than good roads and Cass county should see that they are made as good as possible, and when the state and government comes for this state, this locality with its network of highways, should be the first to receive recognition.

Mrs. M. H. Gray of Hanford, Cal., is in the city for a visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Robertson and family.

Hans Sievers was among those going to Omaha this morning, where he will spend a few hours in that city with Barney Miller at the Immanuel hospital.

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