

# The Plattsmouth Journal.

VOL. XXXVI.

PLATTSMOUTH, NEBRASKA, MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1919.

No. 73.

## THE TEACHERS HELD A COSTUME PARTY

EVERY-OTHER-WEEK SOCIAL AFFAIR PARTAKES OF THE OLDEN DAYS.

## DANCED THE VIRGINIA REEL

And Wore Colonial Garb in Observation of Birthday of The Father of His Country.

From Thursday's Daily. The teachers of the Plattsmouth city schools held their social meeting at the gymnasium of the Plattsmouth High School last evening. This delightful social event of the mid-winter season was in the nature of a costume party. It being near the anniversary of the birthday of George Washington, the father of our country, the committee of teachers in charge of the evening's entertainment, had requested all to dress in Colonial costume or in costumes worn in Washington's time. Many handsome colonial costumes were worn and the early hours of the evening were devoted to the admiration of the costumes and guessing whom they might be, as the committee had requested that each wear a mask.

When the masks were removed, Progressive Rook was introduced and several very exciting games were participated in by the merry company. Just about this time a delicious luncheon, consisting of sandwiches, salad, olives and coffee, was served and to which all did ample justice. There still being a few moments of the evening left, the teachers indulged in dancing the Virginia Reel, one of the dances of Washington's time. This provoked much merriment and laughter and afforded all much pleasure.

The teachers of the city schools have been holding these social affairs in the gymnasium every other Wednesday and in this way have the opportunity of getting together and becoming better acquainted. These occasions are looked forward to by them with the greatest of pleasure.

## EASTERN STAR HAVE A VERY GOOD MEETING

Masons and Their Wives and Friends Invited to be Present at Social Meeting.

From Thursday's Daily. Last evening at the Masonic Temple, the Order of Eastern Star held a very delightful social meeting, at which there was a very entertaining program of musical numbers, singing and readings presented. Masons and their wives and friends had been invited to attend and a goodly number were present. O. A. Moore gave a brief resume of the entertainment which it is proposed be given at the parlors in the near future for the benefit of the order.

At the meeting last night was the first time the new superintendent of the Masonic home, Samuel Scott and wife, were able to meet with the order. A delightful lunch was served by the ladies to the some sixty-five or seventy persons present.

Such social meetings are a means of promoting an even greater spirit of co-operation among the members.

## WILL GIVE ANOTHER DANCE

From Friday's Daily. The Woodman Circle ladies will give another of their popular dances at the M. W. A. hall next Tuesday evening. Good music has been procured and an excellent time is assured. Those who have attended dances given by the ladies in the past know that a good time is always in store at these affairs. The proceeds all go into the lodge treasury fund for entertainment purposes and no one receives any money for their work in connection with giving the dances. Members and friends of the order are glad to patronize the dances, knowing that the money thus realized is used to good advantage.

## ARRIVED IN U. S. YESTERDAY.

From Friday's Daily. The news dispatches tell of the arrival at Newport News, on the transport Pocahontas, among some eighty other Nebraskans of Corporal Lester Christwiser, of Havelock, and a son of A. P. Christwiser of that place, and a grandson of Mrs. Martha Christwiser of this city. Corporal Christwiser, formerly lived in this city and with his parents went to Havelock a number of years ago, and enlisted early in the war, and has been overseas for some time. When discharged he will return to his home at Havelock.

## GIVE A VALENTINE AND WASHINGTON PARTY LAST NIGHT

From Friday's Daily. Last evening at the Methodist church parlors, the Epworth League which is a young people's society of that church, held a valentine party at which a large number of the young people of the society were in attendance. The meeting in the beginning dealt with the business matters coming before the society, and the meetings denominated as the business and social meeting of the society. Following the business was the social part, and was of a valentine and Washington birthday character. Mrs. Frank R. Gobelman and Miss Kaffenberger being mistresses of the ceremonies. A very enjoyable time was had, and the decoration which were of red hearts, betokened the Valentine season, and with the delightful refreshments which followed, the brick ice cream was distinctive in the face that a red heart passed through each brick. In all the members of the league had a very delightful time.

## PLATTSMOUTH MAN ELECTED TREASURER

From Friday's Daily. At the conclusion of the convention of the County Treasurers State Convention which has been in session at Lincoln for the past week, announced the election of the officers of the association for the coming year which contained as its treasurer, Michael Tritsch of this city. Mr. Tritsch has just completed the serving of a term in this position, and with the effective work has been asked accept the position for another year. Mr. Tritsch is well qualified for the position to which the association has called him, and has also proven an excellent officer as county treasurer for this, Cass county. The list of officers as elected are as follows:

President—M. L. Endres, Omaha.  
V. President—Miss Myrtle Lancaster, Sidney.  
Secretary—R. G. Allen, Blair.  
Treasurer—Mike Tritsch, Plattsmouth.

## LIEUT. HARRY F. STONE ARRIVES HOME

From Friday's Daily. On the noon train Lieut. Harry F. Stone, we know him as Floyd Stone, arrived from the east, having a few days since been discharged from the service, at Camp Dix, N. J. Lieutenant Stone enlisted in the "Dandy Sixth" on June 22, 1917, and after a short time was sent to Camp Cody, in New Mexico, where he remained for a number of months, and was afterwards sent to Camp Dix, where he has been for some time. Lieut. Stone has been assisting for the past three months, in the discharging of overseas troops as they have arrived on this side.

## IS DISCHARGED FROM SERVICE.

From Friday's Daily. Giles Lair, better known as "Red Lair, son of D. J. Lair and wife of this city, and who visited here but a few months since, has just received his discharge from the navy, and is at this time working for a firm in Boston, where he is driving a truck. Giles made an excellent sailor, and with the expiration of his term of enlistment, was pleased to get back into civil life, where the opportunities are promising, of advancement.

## PLATTSMOUTH CAN BOAST OF GOOD SINGERS

THIS FACT CLEARLY DEMONSTRATED AT COMMUNITY SING LAST NIGHT.

## HAVE PLENTY OF TALENT HERE

This Has been a Singing Week in the Old Town—Even the Kids Held Their Song-Fest.

From Friday's Daily. This has been a Week of Song throughout our grand land. It has been observed in every city, town and village of our nation. The older residents of this city will be pleased to learn that one of the originators of the "Community Sing" is a former Plattsmouth lady, Mrs. David Campbell. These Community Sings are promoted by the Commissioner of Education and a committee of the best musicians of the nation.

In our little city Community Sing has been observed in various ways. Last Sunday the churches of our city observed it by the singing of an additional number of songs at their morning and evening service. The members of Eastern Star order, at their regular lodge meeting on Wednesday evening, sang a number of the old and familiar songs. During the intermission between the first and second shows at the Parmele and Gem Theatres on Wednesday evening, they sang. A number of the singers of the city were in attendance and led the audience in singing some of the familiar songs.

Even the children held their "Community Sing". The children of the First to the Sixth grades, inclusive, gathered in the High School gymnasium yesterday afternoon at 3:00 o'clock to sing. A very pleasing program of songs by the little folks, interspersed with the united singing of some of the familiar songs, was rendered. At the same time the pupils of the higher grades, including the High School, assembled in the High School auditorium and participated in a program of song.

Last evening at 7:30 the City Community Sing was held in the auditorium of the public library. Here too, a program of vocal and instrumental music was given. Mrs. E. H. Wescott took charge of this Sing and led the audience in a number of rousing songs. She was ably assisted in the singing by the High School Glee club, while Mr. E. H. Wescott presided at the piano. The special selections were unusually well rendered. They included a number of selections by the High School Glee Club, a violin solo by Mr. Miles Altman, vocal selection, "Home Again," by Mr. D. C. York, and a vocal selection by a male quartet composed of Messrs. F. A. Cloidt, H. G. McCluskey, Dr. R. P. Westover and L. O. Minor.

In the future, it is hoped the members of the High School Glee Club will promulgate these Community Sings. In all probability they will be held in the High School auditorium and may be a source of pleasure and profit to the Community.

## ALL ARE PRETTY WELL SATISFIED

From Friday's Daily. Another young American in the vicinity of Cedar Creek, a few days since and more than one family is happy. The stork called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Meisinger and left a young American with them, whom they are well satisfied to call Meisinger, but the first name is a little difficult, to get settled, as both of the grandparents would like the honor of having the young man named for them. That don't matter except to them but the young man and mother is doing finely, and the father, well, he is getting along all right, but Grandfather Adam Meisinger, he is feeling about the best on account of being a "Foxy Grandpa" and no wonder for the little fellow is one of the finest in the land.

## CELEBRATES 86TH BIRTHDAY.

Ben Elsen and Wife Entertain in Honor of Henry Boeck And Wife.

From Thursday's Daily. Elizabeth Benson writes home, of attending the 86th birthday anniversary dinner for Mr. Henry Boeck now in Los Angeles, given by Mr. and Mrs. Ben Elsen. A lovely 5-course dinner was served in honor of Mr. Boeck who is in the best of health, enjoying his 86th winter in Sunny California. Covers were laid for fourteen. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Boeck, Mrs. Sue Morris and Mrs. Emma Van Cleave and Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Wolf and son Julius, Mr. and Mrs. M. Waybright, Elizabeth Benson and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Elsen.

## A WELL APPOINTED EATING HOUSE

LOUIS RUSSELL MAKES SOME IMPORTANT IMPROVEMENTS IN HIS RESTAURANT.

## A VERY POPULAR INSTITUTION

Doing A Good Business. And Prepared to Care For All Business That Comes.

From Friday's Daily. We stepped into the "renovated and nicely appointed eating house of Louis Russell, and were pleased at the new arrangement, which provides for more service and better service as well. The lunch counter which is in the rear, which is constructed in the shape of a horseshoe, allowing the ones who serve working on the inner side of the circle, while those who are served occupy the outside. Inside is a pyramid-like built receptacle for goods, which makes the matter of getting at the things which is desired to serve, and which facilitates the serving. The kitchen which is in the rear on the south allows of the preparing of the meals and short orders in the most approved style. The dining room is situated on the west side in front, which makes it very handy for both the public and the one who serves. This institution is enjoying a good business, not alone for the good location, but for the excellent meals which is served by Mr. Russell, and the very courteous treatment of the patrons by those who are employed by the eating house.

## ELK DANCES ARE GROWING IN FAVOR

As Evidenced by Increasing Attendance—Another One Next Thursday Night.

From Friday's Daily. That there is a growing interest among the members of the Elks in dancing is evidenced by the increasing attendances at the dances given at their club rooms. Last night there was present one of the largest crowd of merrymakers to attend any of the dances this season and everyone enjoyed themselves immensely. As a result of this interest another dance has been announced for next Thursday evening, commencing promptly at 8:20 o'clock. There is some complaint on the part of the committee as to the lateness of the hour many of the members come and it is desired to start the dancing promptly at the hour named and quit a little earlier than they have been wont to do. The floor at the Elks home is one of the best in the city for dancing and good music is furnished by the Kroehler orchestra. The members mix freely at these affairs, which is responsible for the good times had by those who attend.

## FARM FOR SALE.

The E. R. Todd Homestead 80 acre improved farm, 3 miles west of Plattsmouth, now owned by Russell Todd. Price \$250.00 per acre. T. H. Pollock, Plattsmouth.

## HE TELLS OF ARMY LIFE IN PHILIPPINES

PRIVATE CHARLES WITTSTUCK, WRITES SISTER IN WASHINGTON FROM P. I.

## IN THE MEDICAL DEPARTMENT

And Hopes to be Released in Couple of Months—Says First Winter Not to Shovel Snow.

From Thursday's Daily. Just how it seems to be basking in the sunshine and warmth of the Philippine Islands, while his friends at home are being visited with snow and cold weather, is graphically described in the following letter from Private Charles Wittstuck, to his sister, Mrs. John F. Burk, who lives in Washington:

Post Hospital, Fort Mills, Manila Bay, P. I. Dec. 28.  
Dear Sister, Brother and Niece: I thought I would drop you a few lines this afternoon to let you know I am well and hope you folks are all the same. I have started you a letter several times, but could not think of any news to write, so gave it up as a bad job. I haven't written to anyone lately. I got a letter from mother Christmas which I answered and thought I would answer yours, as well. I received the candy you sent me some time ago, and it sure was grand. I appreciate it very much.

I wrote and told mother I was going to see you folks before I come home. That is if they pay us off in Frisco. But if they just give me a ticket to the place where I enlisted I will have to go home first. But, as I understand it they will pay us off in Frisco. How is Adeline getting along now. I sure would love to see her.

I only draw 21 pesos now as my Liberty bonds take 20 pesos out of my pay and insurance takes 12.80, so I don't have very much coming each month you see. But I will try and send you a penny pay day.

I look to get out in a couple of months. It sure was a beautiful sunset last night and the crickets were calling just like summer back home. I have lots to tell you when I get back. Oh say, "Tom," this is the first winter I ever passed without getting hit in the back with a snow ball. This is one of the two places where you don't have to shovel snow. When I get back ask me about the trip to Niac, over in the Carite province. It sure was some interesting trip, but it would take two hours for me to write it.

Had my picture taken again the other day, and will send you one if I can get them out in time. Well, I will have to close as its nearly time to go to work. Am still getting the Plattsmouth Journal and sure do enjoy it. I will send you a close-up view of a Philippine shack. Well, good-bye, from your loving brother, Chuck.

PVT. CHAS. WITTSTUCK, Med. Dept., Fort Mills, Manila Bay, P. I.

## MAKING APPLICATION FOR SUPERINTENDENCY HERE

From Thursday's Daily. Professor M. A. Sams, who is making his home at Blair at present, and who was a candidate for county superintendent of Douglas county at the recent election, was in the city today interviewing the Board of Education as to the possibility of securing the position of superintendent of the city schools for the coming year. Mr. Sams has been engaged in the school business for the greater portion of his life, much of the time as a superintendent, and is ably qualified for the position to which he aspires, according to the line of references which he carries.

## WAS 23 YESTERDAY.

From Friday's Daily. Yesterday was the twenty-third birthday of Lisle Mullis, who has just returned from the service a few days since, and is at this time considering the proposition of engaging in the Florist business again.

Mr. Mullis was conducting a good business before departing for the war, and has returned and found the business all going to Omaha. He knows the business, and is able to conduct a place in the best manner, and will decide within a short time what course he will pursue.

## Q. Z. SOCIETY ENTERTAINED AT MRS. NELS JEAN HOME

IT BEING REGULAR BUSINESS SESSION. BUSINESS WAS FIRST IN ORDER.

From Thursday's Daily. The Q. Z. society of the Presbyterian church were very pleasantly entertained yesterday afternoon at the cozy home of Mrs. Neilson Jean in the north part of the city. This was their regular meeting and the usual business session was held. During this business session various plans and arrangements were made for the future work of the society. The work of this society was somewhat handicapped last fall on account of the Spanish influenza epidemic, but it is to be hoped that their plans may be carried out during the coming spring months.

After the business session the members of the Q. Z. society indulged in a delightful social time and various other amusements calculated to make this afternoon's entertainment most enjoyable to all. The hostess served a dainty luncheon at a convenient time which was very much appreciated by the large number in attendance.

## A HAPPENSTANCE OF THE DAYS GONE BY

From Thursday's Daily. While C. L. Graves was in the city this morning, he was showing the Journal man a card of admission to the execution of Harry Hill, an event in the criminal history of Cass county which occurred on the 1st day of March, 1895, or almost 24 years ago. Mr. Hill and his partners had gone to the home of a Mr. Akeson, near Weeping Water, and there murdered the farmer in order to accomplish their end, namely, rob him of his money. The execution was held in an enclosure constructed near the old jail on Pearl street, the ticket of admission being issued by J. C. Eikenberry, who was then sheriff.

## A FAREWELL GATHERING OF RED-I-LADIES

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON, WHEN REMAINING WORK WAS CLEANED UP.

## TO GIVE UP WORK ROOM SOON

All Quotas Assigned to Plattsmouth Chapter Have Been Filled—Promoted Friendship.

From Thursday's Daily. As per announcement, a large number of the Red Cross Workers, both in the Surgical Dressings and Hospital Garment departments, gathered at the Red Cross work room yesterday afternoon for the purpose of spending the afternoon together in a social way. There were thirty-five of the workers, who came to the work room during the hours of two and five.

As they indulged in various diversions and other amusements, a number of the ladies piled the busy needle on some of the dressings and garments. In this way all the work has been completed, all the quotas have been filled. These quotas will be sent out during the early part of the coming week. The Red Cross rooms will then be released, the war being at an end, there being no further duties of quotas or continual demands to be filled by the local chapter.

So, the delightful occasion of yesterday afternoon was in the nature of a farewell—an opportunity of being together once more. During the course of this afternoon's entertainment, impromptu toast were given. Mrs. William Baird, the chairman of the Plattsmouth chapter, acting as toastmistress and called on a number of the workers for short talks. Some of those responding were Mesdames W. S. Leete, Fannie Dickson, J. S. Livingston, Mary Allison, M. Tritsch, F. R. Gobelman, John Swoboda, J. E. Wiles and others told of the enjoyment and pleasure derived from their work, of the many new friendships they had formed, many of which would be lifelong friendship.

The New Comfort Victrola furnished many excellent selections which were highly enjoyed by those fortunate enough to be present. Delicious ice cream and cake were served, which materially assisted in the pleasures of the afternoon.

As the hour of five drew near, the ladies dispersed, having spent a delightful afternoon.

Wall Paper, Paints, Glass, Picture Framing. Frank Gobe'man.

Journal Want-Ads Pay!

## A SERVICE MESSAGE

### To Liberty Bond Holders!

It has been reported that many holders of small denomination Liberty Bonds in need of ready money are selling these securities at anywhere up to 25% discount.

—Perhaps these patriotic investors do not know that these bonds are bought and sold daily on the N. Y. Stock Exchange and they can always be sold at close their face value.

—Do not part with your bonds unless you positively must. If money needs be raised use them as collateral for a loan. If you are obliged to sell see that you get full market value for them—sharpers are at work.

**First National Bank**  
Plattsmouth, Nebraska