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RALPH LAIR NOT TO COME HOME NOW

WAS EXPECTING TO ARRIVE
WITH COMPANY 'I' OF THE
RAINBOW DIVISION.

PLACED IN REPLACEMENT UNIT

Will Not Now Expect To Get Home
Until Latter Part Of Summer,
Driving Truck Now.

From Friday's Daily.

Ralph Lair, who has been in the service since the first of May 1917, and in France, since early in that year, and who had thought he would be able to have come home with the Rainbow Division which is just now supposed to be leaving European waters. He writes the reporter that he will not get to come now, though he would much like to see his many friends here. During much of the winter he has been in the hospital where he had an operation on one of his eyes. Other than getting some gas and having trouble with his eyes he has fared pretty well, not having received any wounds, although rumors to the effect that he had lost his life were current, he writes he is feeling fine and says excellent weather is prevailing. His letter is as follows:

Chemery, France, March 26th.
Dear Mr. Briggs:

I write you to let you know I am feeling fine, and here is hoping you are feeling the same. We are having the finest weather here. How are you there, I hope fine. Tell all the boys hello, for me, as I don't know when I will get home now. I am fairly certain I will not get to come with the old company "I" from the way things look at this writing. I am at this time taking a course in a motor truck school. I am feeling fine now and hope all the boys are feeling the same. I have just been released from the hospital, where I was having my eyes worked upon, have been out for two weeks now, but was in from December 16th until then. I had a tumor removed from the lower lid of my right eye. This had been causing me much trouble for some time. Glad it is out of the way. I had thought I would have been returned to my company and have gotten to come with the boys, when they embark for home. I sure would have liked to, but have been placed in a supply replacement unit, attached to the first replacement depot. How are all the boys getting along. I suppose they are having a good time. I hope so. As it is getting so dark I can hardly see. I will close for this time, hoping to be able to greet you personally in the near future. I remain as ever,

Your friend,
PVT. RALPH C. LAIR,
Address: Supply Train Replacement, First Replacement Depot, A. P. O. 727, American Ex. Forces.

GREATLY ENJOYED EASTERN STAR

From Friday's Daily.

J. D. V. Patch, the gentleman, who is employed with Mr. John W. Crabill as an expert clock man, with his wife, returned last evening from Nebraska City, where they were to attend a meeting of the Order Eastern Star, Wednesday evening. It had been some time since they had attended the lodge at Nebraska City, the one which they first joined, and in fact the one first organized in America. While visiting in this country from his home in England in 1879, an organization was talking about the Order Eastern Star, and it was suggested that a chapter be organized, which was done. Mr. Patch and wife becoming charter members and the two now with one lady living in Nebraska City alone now remain as the charter members which joined at the time of the organization. This lodge at Nebraska City being the one first organized in America. This is a great distinction for these three, and for Nebraska to have the oldest Chapter of this order in America.

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

SHORTER HOURS AT THE SHOPS.

From Friday's Daily.

Harry H. Kuhney, the barber, was a business visitor in Omaha, for the day having some matters to look after regarding supplies for his shop.

During the winter he has had to work alone and it has been difficult to get away, but with the cutting down of the work at the Burlington shops, which went into effect today, where a portion of the men are put on four days work per week he now has the assistance of Roy Mayfield, who will work every evening at the shop, and on both Friday and Saturday of the week. This will give Harry a better opportunity to get away some time, and also enable him to get the work done more promptly which has sometimes crowded him when alone.

MRS. BEN H. WILES RECEIVES BURNS

WHILE WASHING YESTERDAY
CLOTHING CATCHES FIRE, AND
SHE RECEIVES BURNS.

From Friday's Daily.

Yesterday at her home south of this city, while Mrs. Ben H. Wiles was engaged in doing the weekly wash, and had the paraphernalia in the yard, the gas engine hitched to the washer, and heating the water in a large kettle, the lady's apron was caught fire from the blaze which leaped about the large kettle. Dexterosly she tore the apron off, but not in time to prevent the blaze igniting her skirts, which she endeavored to extinguish, but was not able to herself. Mr. Wiles who was still at the barn getting ready to go to the field, hearing Mrs. Wiles call ran to her assistance and succeeded in getting the fire out, but not until she was severely burned. Her hands and face being burned the worse. Dr. Brendel was called, who dressed the lady's injuries and she was resting as comfortable as possible under the circumstances which of course was not very good. The physician said he would not know how severe the burns were until this morning after the dressings should have had an opportunity to remove the effect of the burns. Mr. Wiles received some severe burns on his hands, in extinguishing the fire of the clothing.

DEGREE OF HONOR CLOSES MEET

From Friday's Daily.

The Convention of the Degree of Honor, which has been in session at Hastings for the past few days has drawn to a close, and as to what they disregard in their laws and usages of the order, but as to the closing hours when the election of the officers for the coming term was selected, we have the list of officers chosen, which shows that there has been a complete revolution in this lodge as well as in other things at this time.

In the slump, as against the administration, which has governed the affairs of the lodge in the state, all were caught in the swirl. Mayne H. Cleaver, who has been at the head of the order for some time was thrown over board, and Florence Owens chosen in her place as the Grand Chief of Honor. Margaret Steele was chosen for the position of grand lady of honor.

In the contest for the position of Grand Recorder, in which a Plattsmouth lady was a candidate, Miss Anna Hassler and she was defeated by Rose Herrick. In the contest for the place of holding the next session of the grand lodge, Omaha was chosen over Lincoln.

DEPARTED LAST EVENING FOR CHICAGO

From Friday's Daily.

Last evening Frank Rys departed for Chicago, where he will work as an electrical engineer for the Postal Telegraph Company. Mr. Rys was in the electrical service for the government during the war, and goes to Chicago to accept the position tendered him by the Postal Co., which he will maintain any way until the arrival of his brother Anton Rys in this country, he still being in the service in France.

For Sale: Two Red Short Horn bulls past one year old. Elbert Wiles, phone 2521. a11-1fd&w

DOZEN MORE MEMBERS OF EASTERN STAR

LOCAL CHAPTER O. E. S. HAS A
HANDSOME INCREASE—CAN-
DIDATES ALL MEN AND

MEMBERS OF MASONIC ORDER

Grand Marshal James E. Bednar, of
Omaha Present—Elaborate
Feud Was Enjoyed

From Thursday's Daily.

Last evening at the Masonic temple in this city was held the regular meeting of Home Chapter, O. E. S., at which time there was a lecture by visiting Grand Marshal James E. Bednar, of Omaha, who in his address before the lodge complimented the order here on its nice membership and proficiency in putting on the work, which he said bespoke of the distinctive manner in which the affairs of the lodge are conducted.

Following the completion of business coming before the order, there were initiated into the mysteries of the order an even dozen men of the city—all of whom must of needs be Masons in order to gain admittance. The work was well put on by a team composed of members of the local order. Those to receive the degree were M. C. Tippins, Roy W. Knorr, A. J. Beeson, Fred P. Busch, O. A. Moore, E. A. Wurl, W. H. Wehrbein, Don C. York, John McLean, Val Burkell, C. L. Wiles and W. E. Evers.

Following the work of initiation came the feed which had been prepared by the committee and was in keeping with the size of the class, and other things that went to make the evening a most pleasant one. To observe the banquet, one would easily think the committee had never even heard of Hoover, he of food conservation fame.

During the time of eating, there were numerous addresses, of which was one by Grand Marshal Bednar, of Omaha, in which he congratulated the city on having the state Masonic home here, as well as one of the oldest Masonic lodges in Nebraska. He said the naming of the O. E. S. chapter "Home Chapter" was most apt.

Mr. Bednar was followed by Wm. Baird, himself a member of the order for many years, but who paid his first visit to the local chapter at the meeting last night. He congratulated the ladies on their efficiency as a working society and also said that he had visited the order in Omaha, Lincoln, Chicago, Kansas City and St. Louis, but had yet to find work which would excel that which he had just seen put on.

Judge A. J. Beeson being next called upon for an address said he could truly congratulate the order on its good working force of officers and members, who are able to put on the work as he had just seen it put on, and also at the same time look after the feeding of the multitude as they had done. He said that while he had lived in Plattsmouth a good many years he never realized before just how much he had missed by not becoming affiliated with the order earlier in life, but was truly glad that he had now become a member.

Miss Gretchen McPrang, a member of the order, sang most beautifully a vocal number which was greatly appreciated and was greeted with rapturous applause, whereupon Miss McPrang responded with another equally as pleasing number to the enjoyment of all.

In all the meeting was most successful and resulted in the addition of twelve new members.

SUPPER AND DANCE AT MURRAY

The men of the community of Murray will give a dance and supper for the Library Association of Murray, on Saturday evening, April 26th. First supper will be served at 5:30 o'clock old time. Dance will be given at the Puls Hall, and the second supper served at 11:00 p. m. Everybody invited.

IN COUNTY COURT.

From Thursday's Daily.

In county court today was heard the matter of the estate of the late John Macin, deceased, this being the last hearing, John M. Meisinger who has been the administrator, and as everything pertaining to the settlement of the estate has been adjusted, the administrator was released, and the settlement of the estate closed.

MERRIMAN PETTY SPOKE AT HIGH SCHOOL YESTERDAY

From Thursday's Daily.

Merriman "Bill" Petty spoke at the High school yesterday afternoon on the subject of the Battle of the Argonne Forest, in which he participated, suffering a severe wound in one of his legs, from which he has not yet entirely recovered. In his address he held the interest of the scholars from beginning to end.

Merriman's talk was interesting to the extreme as he recounted, the various incidents that came within his observation while facing the enemy on the battle scarred fields of France, and he told them in a manner that conveyed to his hearers not a few of the horrors of war. Tuesday evening he spoke at one of the churches in Omaha on his experiences while in France, covering much the same ground as in his address to the scholars yesterday.

MONARCH ENGINEERING CO. GETS BRIDGE CONTRACTS

From Thursday's Daily.

In the competitive bidding for the construction of bridges in Cass county during the current year, numerous construction companies were found to have filed bids when the time came to open the same yesterday. Of the various bids, however, that of the Monarch Engineering company, of Falls City, which company has held the bridge contract in this county for a number of years, was decreed by the County Commissioners to be the lowest, and they were accordingly awarded the contract. The Monarch company is well equipped to handle this line of work and their familiarity with the "lay of the ground" in Cass county renders them in position to give the county good construction work, and at the same time make a reasonable profit at the prices bid.

FRED RANGE, JR. VERY SICK FROM POISONING

From Thursday's Daily.

Last Monday Fred Range, Jr., who lives near Murray, was in that village and, among other things, purchased some candy for the children. On the way home he ate some of the candy, and no sooner had he partaken of it than he became very sick and feared he would die before he would be able to reach home. He got into the field, headed the team toward the house and let them go. When he arrived at the house, Mr. Range was not able to get out of the wagon and had to be taken out. The Murray doctors were called together with Dr. Flynn of this place, and the three were able to pull him through, but it was a very close call as his pulse subsided to 45, while his temperature sank away below normal and was only raised by hot water applications and then it came back very slowly. The physicians do not say where the poison came from, whether it was in the candy or something else he had eaten, but do say the case was one of poisoning and a very serious one.

Mr. Range is still confined to his bed, not having as yet sufficient vitality to get up, although he is pronounced as being out of danger.

George Kaffenberger and wife, with their little babe, and accompanied by Mrs. O. M. Kintz, were passengers to Omaha this morning, where they went to consult a specialist regarding the breaking out of a sort of rash on the baby.

THE PERFECTION COOKER IS NOT A NEW PRODUCT

THE ONE USED IN J. P. FALTER
HOME FOR SEVERAL YEARS
IS NOW ON DISPLAY

And Differs Only in Matter of Size
from Those Being Sold at
the Present Time.

One of the salesmen who are in the city at the present time placing on trial and demonstrating the Perfection cooker was more than pleased one day this week, when he found that by no means was the Perfection a new cooker in this city. About seven years ago J. P. Falter met a salesman in the city selling this same cooker, and at the time Mrs. Falter had been sick, and Jake was preparing his own meals, and he figured that the cooker might be a great help to him, so he purchased one of them and took it home, and prepared his next meal in it. The meal was so deliciously cooked that the little Perfection was kept in use about the Falter home for several years. In fact up to the time that the little ball over the protection valve was lost.

The salesman for the Perfection was indeed pleased to find the old cooker in the city, and immediately gave Mrs. Falter a new one for the old and it is now on display at the Bestor & Swatek store, and is exactly the same as the one made today, only the five quart size, where the new one is seven quart. This certainly demonstrates that there is no chance for improvement on the Perfection, as the first made were just as near perfect as those made today. The excellent state of preservation in the old kettle of Mrs. Falter certainly demonstrates that they are almost indestructible.

The sales management now being held in this city is handled by Mr. Elsie, the general county salesman, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Willard Lee, Mr. Lee having charge of the city sales department, while Mrs. Lee will be in charge of the cooking demonstration that will be conducted at the Bestor & Swatek store this afternoon and Monday.

Somewhere in the neighborhood of 200 cookers are now in the city and placed on a ten day trial in the various homes, many of whom have already signified their intention of keeping the Perfection, many of which have already been paid for, and giving the very best of satisfaction.

You are cordially invited to attend the demonstration this afternoon and evening, also Monday, and see for yourself the wonderful value placed on the Perfection by the various users.

PENITENCE PARDON AND PEACE

Last evening a large sized crowd greatly enjoyed the service at the Methodist church, in their production in song, the Eastertide, musical number Penitence, Pardon and Peace. The work done by the chorus was, emphasized in the rendition of the number, which surpassed even their own expectations. The excellence of the service, is only an indication of what the service is to be at the church tomorrow, in the giving of the song "Eastertide."

NO MORE PASTURE

I take this method of notifying all parties that I now have all the stock I can take care of for pasture. Please do not bring any more to my place for the present.

C. W. COOK.

"Gabe" Austin, from Union, was in the city yesterday, coming up from his home to take in the Tank Party, held here in the afternoon. "Gabe" is not a very frequent caller at the county seat these days and it takes a little something out of the ordinary to get him this far from home.

A. J. Kiser who has been staying at the home of his son Guy Kiser, southwest of Mynard for the past week, during the absence of his son, at Des Moines where he was called by the death of his grandmother Mrs. J. D. Hall, formerly Cephas Mater, departed last evening for his home at Lincoln.

DIED IN THE NORTH- WEST THIS MORNING

A. H. JAHRIG, SON OF E. L. JAHRIG
AND BROTHER OF R. C.
JAHRIG NEAR NEWCASTLE.

A message arrived here this morning telling of the death of A. H. Jahrig, formerly of this city, but who has with his family, been living on a homestead a few miles from Newcastle, Wyoming. A few days since a message from Mrs. Jahrig, told of Mr. Jahrig being well and was sowing his oats and feeling fine. E. L. Jahrig, father and R. C. Jahrig brother and family departed this afternoon for the northwest, where they will go to attend the funeral, which will be deferred until they shall have arrived. Mr. A. H. Jahrig will be remembered as having lived here, and has just moved to the northwest a short time since, where he had located on a homestead. He leaves a wife and four children the oldest being only a little over five years old.

WAS IN CANADIAN ARMY—DISCHARGED

FRED McCULLOCH RETURNS
FROM THE SERVICE A FEW
DAYS SINCE DISCHARGED.

Fred McCulloch went to Omaha last winter, a year ago, and in January enlisted in the service in the Canadian Army, which was receiving recruits. On the first of February he embarked from Montreal for over seas, and has been there until his arrival back last week, and being discharged from the service last Saturday at Toronto. On August 27th he was wounded before Arras, in one of the hottest engagements during the war. He is staying for a short time at the home of his brother Thomas McCulloch, south of the city.

WERE MARRIED LAST EVENING.

From Friday's Daily.

Yesterday Charles F. Moslander of Vesta and Miss Ruth McPherson of Pilley arrived in this city and are visiting at the home of the sister of Miss McPherson. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Boggs and wife, the ladies being twin sisters. During the afternoon they repaired to the office of the county judge and there procured a license and last evening at the Methodist parsonage were united in marriage, the Rev. A. V. Hunter performing the ceremony.

"Wanted: Girl for general household work, in small family. Must do plain cooking; good wages. Write Mrs. T. M. Patterson, Plattsmouth, Nebr."

CELEBRATE TWENTY- FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

Last Evening at the Beautiful Home
of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Schneider
in Cedar Creek.

When Mrs. Wm. Schneider, of Cedar Creek, returned home yesterday from Hastings, where she had been in attendance at the state convention of the Degree of Honor she was completely and agreeably surprised to find cooking all done up and in abundance for the more than sixty guests the daughter had invited to be in attendance at the Silver wedding anniversary of her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Schneider were married twenty-five years ago yesterday and it was in honor of the event the daughter had arranged the pleasant affair during her mother's absence. The home was most beautifully decorated and especially did the dining room reflect of the cunningness of the deft fingers of Miss Schneider. A large white bell was suspended from the ceiling over the table, with white streamers running to different parts of the room. The supper was complete in all its appointments. Among those present were many friends and relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Schneider from Cedar Creek, Plattsmouth, Omaha and other places.

The evening was spent with music, stories, reminiscences and stump speeches, all calculated to make merry the evening hours and succeeding well in accomplishing just that. At a late hour the guests left, wishing the bride and groom many years to come of well earned prosperity and happiness.

Those in attendance from this city were George R. Syles and family, Simon Clarke and wife, H. A. Schneider and family and L. C. Lytle and family.

IS NOW OUT OF THE NAVY

Herschell Petty who was discharged from the hospital at Camp Dodge and also from service in the army arrived home yesterday and will enter into active civilian life after having visited for a short time.

Mr. Petty was a visitor here for some time a short time since, and while he felt that his was practical ly out of the service had to report and get his formal discharge.

FOR SALE.

New Overland Model 90.
We purchased this car from a dealer and it is absolutely new and has never been driven. We will sell this car for considerably less than the regular retail price.
We have several good used Fords for sale.

T. H. POLLOCK AUTO CO.
Phone No. 1. Plattsmouth, Neb.

Journal Want-Ads Pay'

A SERVICE MESSAGE

Build Now!

This, we feel, is an opportune time to urge those who contemplate building to plan to go right through with the job this spring regardless of prevailing prices of material and labor.

Prices of building material have declined and may go lower. But one of the chief items of building cost—the cost of labor—is not likely to decline until the cost of living declines. This may take a year or more.

In the meantime the thousands of men who depend on the building trades for a living—including thousands of returned soldiers—face the possibility of being without jobs unless construction activity returns to normal.

If you contemplate building, remodeling or repairing, plan to go through with the work—now. Charge extra expense to "good times" insurance—better still, patriotism.

First National Bank
Plattsmouth, Nebraska