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## WORDS OF PRAISE FOR THE CASS CO. FARM

SECRETARY STATE BOARD CHARITIES AND CORRECTION INSPECTS FARM AND JAIL.

VERY EFFICIENTLY MANAGED

Gives Cass County Farm Honor of Best Equipped and Managed of Any in the State.

From Thursday's Daily.

The county farm owned and operated by Cass county has long maintained its position of high standing in the county institutions of the state and there are few counties in any of the western states that can boast of a more efficient or well managed farm. It has been a paying proposition and this has been developed under the careful management of J. H. Tams, the superintendent, and is now one of the most up-to-date institutions of its kind in the west. Recently E. M. Johnson, secretary of the state board of charities and corrections was in the county and made an inspection of the county farm and the result of his observations can best be told in his letter to the board of county commissioners:

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 31, 1919.  
Chairman Board of County Commissioners,  
Plattsmouth, Neb.

Dear Sir:

Some weeks ago I had the privilege of inspecting your county jail and poor farm. You have a splendidly built and equipped jail and we found it in splendid condition every time we have visited the place. The county farm is without question the best in the state. There is no county home in the state that is better equipped or conducted on a higher plane than yours. Mr. and Mrs. Tams are especially competent in this position, not only the house but all the other buildings are kept in tip-top order. We cannot express too highly our appreciation of the good care of those who are committed to your county farm. In our opinion it would be a serious mistake to lose Mr. and Mrs. Tams from the position they occupy at your county home.

Very truly yours,  
E. M. JOHNSON, Examiner.

## PIONEER OF THIS CITY PASSES AWAY

George A. Mayer, Here in the Early Fifties, Passes Away at His Home in Capital City.

From Saturday's Daily.

George A. Mayer, father of Mrs. Henry Wetenkamp, died at his home in Lincoln December 22, 1919. Mr. Mayer was one of Nebraska's pioneer settlers.

In last Sunday's Star appears an interesting article too lengthy for reproduction here, which tells of his coming with his wife and eldest son to Nebraska in 1856, traveling over the unbroken prairies of Wisconsin, Iowa and Nebraska in a covered wagon drawn by two yoke of oxen and two cows. After six weeks of arduous traveling they stopped at Plattsmouth, where they farmed for three years. Then Mr. Mayer bought 160 acres seven miles east of Lincoln on Holdrege street for \$200, part of which was paid in gold dust received in exchange for a yoke of oxen. In 1865 he fled a homestead claim on 160 just across the road.

In 1868 the first school of Lancaster county was organized and held in Mayer's two room log cabin.

The Mayers were always friendly with the Indians, who called Mr. Mayer "Good Buck." At one time, when the Mayer children were without shoes, the father obtained moccasins from a tribe of 600 Indians who were camped on his farm in exchange for some onions. He also traded them a rooster for his first butcher knife.

Lincoln was at that time compos-

ed of only a dozen houses and was known as Salt Basin. The first train that ever ran into Lincoln was a great curiosity. The family stood outside the house and waited expectantly for the whistle, the first one they had ever heard. Mr. Mayer was one of the twenty-three men who voted in the first election held in Lancaster county.

The old home farm where a family of six children was raised, was sold in 1916 and Mr. Mayer moved to Lincoln where he spent the remainder of his life. The funeral was held December 24th at the home, 2825 I street, in charge of Rev. R. M. Badger, the remains being buried at Wynka.

Mr. Mayer is survived by three sons and three daughters, H. W. Mayer of Walton, Nebraska; W. L. Mayer, of Beatrice; M. J. Mayer, of Denton; Emma B. Mayer and Mrs. E. E. Mann, of Lincoln and Mrs. Henry Wetenkamp, of Eagle.—Eagle Beacon.

## YOUNG LADIES ENJOY PLEASANT EVENING

Young Ladies Employed in Mechanical Department of Burlington Spend Social Evening.

From Thursday's Daily.

Last evening the young ladies employed in the offices of the mechanical department of the Burlington enjoyed a very pleasant social evening. The ladies were entertained at a theater party at the Parmele theater to witness the presentation of "Fair and Warmer" and at the conclusion of the show were invited to the Coronado apartments where they were the guests of Miss Mary Clark for the evening. Several very enjoyable musical selections were given by members of the party and Miss Belle Speck favored the ladies with several most enjoyable vocal selections. At a suitable hour a dainty two-course luncheon was served to add to the delights of the evening and it was a late hour when the members of the party departed homeward.

## DEATH OF MISS EMMA MANN THIS MORNING

Passes Away at Early Hour This Morning After Illness Covering Period of Several Months.

From Friday's Daily.

At an early hour this morning Miss Emma Mann passed away after an illness covering the past year and during which time she has borne with Christian fortitude the sufferings, calmly awaiting the end when the messenger of death would bring to her the peace and rest from the long period of sickness. Her condition has been critical for the past two weeks and despite the ministrations of the loved ones of the family circle the patient continued to fail until the end of life came this morning.

Emma C. Mann was born in St. Louis, Mo., April 19, 1864, and came to Plattsmouth with her parents, Peter and Elizabeth Mann, June 19, 1871, and has since made her home here in this city. When a child she suffered a paralytic stroke from the effects of which she never fully recovered.

She is survived by the mother, three brothers, William H. and George B. Mann of this city and Edwin C. Mann of San Francisco, and one sister, Mrs. George W. Thomas of Nebraska City. In the loss of the daughter and sister the members of the family will have the deepest sympathy of the entire community and the friends who had known and loved the departed one will share with the family the grief that her passing has brought to them.

The funeral arrangements have not been definitely decided upon.

FOR SALE

A choice 5 acres close in. Modern house of 6 rooms, furnace, electric lights, well, cistern, chicken house, barn, some fruit. This property is a bargain. Will be off the market February 1st. Inquire of A. A. Alexander; phone 251. j12-1wdaw

For Sale—Fur robe. See William Rice at Richey lumber yard. 6td-4tw

## CELEBRATED THEIR GOLDEN WEDDING

MR. AND MRS. A. S. WILL OBSERVE HALF CENTURY OF WEDDED LIFE.

WERE MARRIED IN VIRGINIA

Have Resided in This County for the Greater Part of Wedded Life—Enjoy Life With Their Family.

From Saturday's Daily.

Fifty years ago yesterday amid the peaceful scenes and kindly faces far away in the Old Dominion occurred the marriage of Asgil S. Will and Miss Barbara Herold, on January 16, 1870. The anniversary of that pleasant event was celebrated yesterday at the beautiful Will home on Chicago avenue where the bride and groom of 50 years ago are spending their declining years in the happiness of a well spent life.

Time has dealt gently with Mr. and Mrs. Will and they are still in the full flush of their lifetime and as they gather the children of their lives around them and contemplate the peace and prosperity that is theirs they can feel well satisfied with the time that has elapsed since their marriage in Highland county, Virginia, a half century ago.

Mr. Will was born in Highland county, Virginia, April 23, 1849, while Mrs. Will was born in Pendleton, West Virginia, April 1, 1852. The family came to Nebraska in 1879 and for a number of years Mr. Will engaged in farming in the eastern portion of Cass county.

The children of this estimable couple are as follows: Fred S. Will, Hennessey, Okla.; J. N. Will, Kettlefalls, Wash.; Nora Blanch Spangler, Nuckolls, county, Neb.; Madara A. Will, Long Beach, Calif.; Thomas J. Will, Plattsmouth, Minnie Windham, Lincoln, Neb.; Grover H. Will, Plattsmouth; Fannie Thomas, Long Beach, Calif.; Robert E. Will, Plattsmouth. Twenty-five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren are numbered among the descendants of Mr. and Mrs. Will.

The children to attend the golden wedding anniversary were: Mrs. Spangler, Mrs. Windham, Thomas J. Will, Grover H. Will and Robert E. Will. Everyone of the children remembered the parents with a golden present in honor of the day.

Cass county numbers among its citizenship no more estimable people than Mr. and Mrs. Will and their many years of residence in this community has won for them a host of the warmest and kindest of friends who will rejoice with them in the pleasant anniversary that they have just observed. For many years the family resided in Mt. Pleasant precinct where they made their home on one of the most prolific farms in that section of the county and continued to make their home there from 1883 until a few years ago when they removed to Plattsmouth and erected one of the handiest residences in the city for their future home.

Mr. and Mrs. Will carry with them the gracious spirit of their native state and in their dealings with their fellow men have exemplified the true Virginia in every sense of the term, in strict and unwavering adherence to a high code of honor and in generous and gracious hospitality to all that come to their door.

It had been hoped to have all the children present to take part in the observance of the day but this was impossible and only those who were nearer home were able to reach this city in time to enjoy the pleasant event. Nine children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Will and they have followed the footsteps of their lives in making a success of their lives and now are situated with their own homes and fireplaces with the exception of one son, Robert.

SOCIAL WORKERS

The social workers will meet with Mrs. Peter Mumm Wednesday, January 21. All members please be present. 2td-1tsw

## CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR OFFICERS FOR 1920

The members of the Christian Endeavor of the Presbyterian church at their meeting this week selected their officers for the ensuing year of 1920. The following were named for the year's work:

President—Miss Caroline Baird.  
Vice President—Miss Pearl Stants.  
Secretary Treasurer—Miss Clara Weyrich.

The meeting was held at the home of Rev. H. G. McClusky and the members spent some time in the discussion of the plans for the ensuing year that gives promise of being one of the most successful in the history of the society.

## YOUNG PEOPLE ARE JOINED IN WEDLOCK

Miss Katherine Pries and Fred M. Warner Married Last Evening at Home of Rev. L. W. Scott.

From Saturday's Daily.

Last evening at 7 o'clock at the parsonage of Christian church occurred the marriage of Miss Katherine Pries and Fred M. Warner, both of this city. The wedding was a very quiet one, the contracting parties being unattended. The marriage lines were read by Rev. L. W. Scott, pastor of the church, in a very impressive manner. Both of the contracting parties are well known to a large circle of friends in this community where they have made their home for their lifetime and in their happiness they will receive the best wishes of their many friends. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Pries and has been reared to womanhood in Plattsmouth while the groom has also made his home in this community for his lifetime, being a son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Warner of this city. The newly weds will make their home on the farm of the groom near Murray in the future.

## SECURE COYOTE BOUNTY YESTERDAY

Louisville Men Have Scalps as Result of Roundup and Trapping—Get Bounty from State.

From Saturday's Daily.

Yesterday afternoon when J. O. Ward and Lester Tennat of Louisville were in the city they made a call at the office of County Clerk George R. Sayles and presented to the clerk the scalps of three coyotes which they had secured near their homes. Mr. Tennat has been engaged in trapping on his farm and secured two of the "varmits" while Mr. Ward secured his one scalp as the result of the roundup held near Louisville this week in an effort to secure several wolves which were reported to be active in that neighborhood. Upon the presentation of the scalps to the clerk he had the two gentlemen make affidavits to the killing of the animals and thereupon issued a certificate to them entitling them to the sum of \$3 a head for the scalps and this was presented to the county treasurer who paid over the amount.

## SUFFERS PAINFUL INJURY FRIDAY

Raymond, 12-Year-Old Son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Smith, Has Teeth Knocked Out by Gas Engine.

Yesterday afternoon Raymond, the 12-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Smith was quite severely injured while engaged in helping his father in setting up a monument at the Oak Hill cemetery. The lad had started to crank the small gas engine used in operating the automatic tool and as he was cranking the engine the crank handle slipped off and struck Raymond in the mouth, four of the front teeth were knocked out by the force of the blow and the handle inflicted very severe cuts and lacerations on the mouth and face. The injured boy was hurried back to the city where the injuries were dressed and he was made as comfortable under the circumstances.

## SELECTION OF NEW HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER

C. F. VALLERY, PLATTSMOUTH PRECINCT SUPERVISOR NAMED BY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

VERY WELL QUALIFIED CHOICE

Mr. Vallery Thoroughly Familiar With Road Work and Needs of the County.

From Thursday's Daily.

After a deliberation covering the past few weeks the board of county commissioners yesterday afternoon appointed the new county road overseer, an office created by the recent legislature and who will have an important part to play in the upkeep and maintenance of the highways of the county. For this position the board selected C. F. Vallery of Plattsmouth precinct, who during his term of service of seven years as road supervisor has had a great deal of experience in the road work that will be valuable to him in his new office.

While there were a number of candidates for the position of highway commissioner and many of them well qualified the board showed good judgment in tendering the office to Mr. Vallery and the new commissioner can be depended upon to give the people of Cass county the full service of his time and ability in the administration of the duties of the position. Mr. Vallery has labored constantly in seeing that the work in his district was kept to as high a standard as the means at his command would permit and in the new office he will serve the people equally as well and without fear or prejudice to any person or any locality.

The new position will pay a salary of \$1,200 a year and also a mileage of 10c a day during the time the overseer is on duty.

To aid in caring for the new state highway one patrolman will be appointed at the salary of \$175 per month and two assistants at \$120 per month each and these will assist in seeing that the highway is kept in good passable condition at all times.

The representative of the state engineer's office was in the city yesterday and was in conference with Mr. Vallery and the county commissioners in regard to the care of the new road that will be maintained jointly by the state, the federal government and the county.

## WILL VISIT IN OLD HOME IN EUROPE

Thomas Sedlak and Frank Slatinsky of City Make Requests for Passports to Visit Native Land.

From Thursday's Daily.

To view the old home in Europe after the close of the great war that has swept over that continent for five long years is the desire of Thomas Sedlak and Frank Slatinsky of this city and they have made application with Clerk of the District Court James Robertson to take up with the state department the matter of securing the necessary passports that will permit them to make the trip across the ocean. Both of these gentlemen have been in the United States the past 20 years and desire to see their old home once more. The changes that has occurred there have been many and chief among these is that since their departure from the old country their native land has ceased to be a province of the Austrian-Hungarian empire and become an independent republic.

The clerk of the district court yesterday also received the application of Wilhelm Knaup of Murdock for citizenship and in which he renounces all allegiance to the German republic and all foreign rulers. Mr. Knaup made application last year for his final papers but owing to the fact that his first papers were

out of date the application was denied and he will now be compelled to make the application anew.

VISITS FRIENDS HERE

From Friday's Daily.  
C. H. Baker of Alberta, Canada, who has been in the city visiting for a short time with his friend, Clarence Ledgway, departed yesterday afternoon for Chicago where he is to visit at the home of his brother and will later return to his home in the northwest. Mr. Baker is located on a homestead in Alberta and is engaged in farming and his visit in the states has been curtailed somewhat by his need on the farm.

## HEARINGS ON BOUNDARIES COMPLETED

Commission That Has Been Hearing Petitions and Complaints Adjourns.

From Thursday's Daily.

The past three days have been very strenuous ones for the membership of the commission appointed to prepare the proposed school districts in conformity with the recently passed school law of Nebraska. The members of the commission have labored long and faithfully in the preparing of the boundary lines for their submission to the people of the various districts and are now through with the first phase of the case. The protests against the proposed districts will now be taken under advisement by the committee and they will be given careful consideration and without a doubt a number of changes will be made in some of the districts where an inequality may exist and a relief given the petitioners. The committee will then file their report with the board of county commissioners and close their portion of the work of the execution of the law.

LOCATING ROAD

From Friday's Daily.

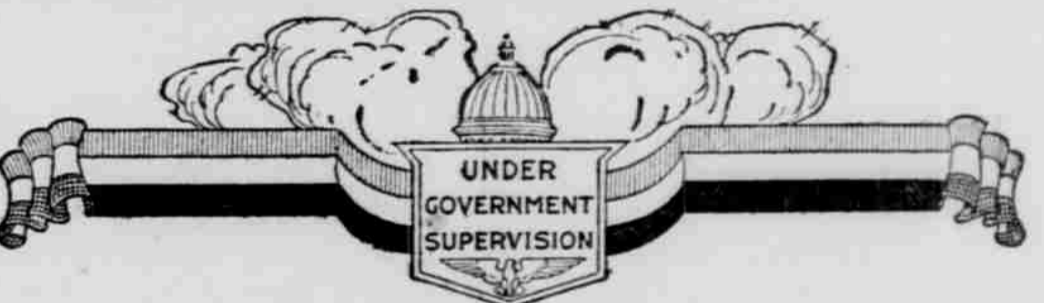
County Commissioners Miller and Harris were in town this Thursday morning. They were locating the road parallel with the railroad east of town around the stone hill, looking after a bridge near the Torrence Fleming farm and the bridge just west of town.

Mr. Miller said he wanted to get his district fixed up a little better than Harris' district as he didn't want anyone to tell the story on him that was circulated about Harris' district where a couple were prevented from getting married because the roads were so bad they could not get to the preacher's.—Weeping Water Republican.

FOR SALE

FOR SALE  
Cottonwood and maple block wood \$4 and \$5 per load delivered. Byron Elbert Wiles, Telephone 3521. tf-dw

Fifteen tons of No. 1 alfalfa hay, second and third cuttings. Also 300 bushels of white ear corn. Byron Babbitt, telephone 31-J. 2tw-3td



"A Thrifty Nation is a Prosperous One." National Thrift Week January 17-24.

## Systematizing the Family Spending!

The family that does its spending according to a fixed plan avoids debt and is able to save systematically.

Divide your spendings about as follows and watch results at the end of six months: Food 30%, rent 20%, general expenses 20%, clothing 10%, amusements 10%, savings 10%.

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