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UNION MEETING IN INTEREST OF MOVEMENT

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WELL FILLED LAST EVENING DESPITE BAD WEATHER

PLAN WAS FULLY EXPLAINED

Rev. A. V. Hunter and Rev. H. G. McClusky Give Illustrated Talk on Great Church Movement

From Monday's Daily. Last evening the auditorium of the First Presbyterian church was well filled by a very interested audience to hear the special union services of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches on the workings of the great inter-church movement that is to place the church on a successful basis as regards the handling of its affairs.

During the week just closed Rev. Hunter and Rev. McClusky have been out on a tour of the northern portion of Nebraska and the benefits of the observations of the trip have given them a greater vision of the church work.

At the opening of the service Rev. Hunter gave a general review of the aims and purposes of the movement that is intended to give the church a working force that they have heretofore been without and to more effectively cover the nation and world in a great evangelic movement that will be supported by an effective organization modeled along the lines that have made the great business institutions of the country successful.

The slides showing the comparisons of conditions in the United States and in other countries were given and fully explained by Rev. McClusky and gave the audience a clearer idea of the needs of the world which the inter-church movement is expected to care for in the future.

The meeting was most successful and as a result the campaign in the interest of the inter-church movement will receive a greater support from the people of all religious denominations as the most effective means of reaching the desired goal.

NEARLY 50 MILLIONS BUREAU ESTIMATES

Estimates Issued for Nebraska by the State and National Department of Agriculture Show a Decrease

Nebraska's 1920 wheat crop, based on a condition of 84 per cent of normal, promises to yield 49,364,000 bushels at harvest, according to the April crop report made public today by the bureau of crop estimate and Nebraska department of agriculture. This compares with last year's final estimate of 54,997,000 bushels when the April condition was 97 per cent and the acreage 20 per cent greater. The present condition is 3 per cent above the average April 1 condition which is 81 per cent.

Despite the damage to growing wheat reported in many districts from the high winds, the benefits of recent heavy snow falls will tend to partially, if not entirely, overcome, says the statement. The complete report follows:

"A winter wheat crop of 49,364,000 bushels for Nebraska is the forecast based on the April 1 condition of 84 per cent. The final estimate last year was 54,997,000 bushels. A year ago the condition was 97 per cent of the acreage, 20 per cent larger. The average April 1 condition is 81 per cent. The winter season was very favorable with plenty of moisture and with sufficient snow protection during the period of low temperatures. The seeding season was extremely unfavorable, being first too dry and later too wet. This delayed much of the planting and the late wheat is not nearly as promising as the early seeded wheat. Some reports state the late planted wheat winter-killed somewhat and also succumbed to greater damage

from the high winds. Nearly all counties, and particularly western counties, report damage from high winds. However, it is believed that benefits from the heavy snow will tend to overcome caused by wind storms.

"The condition of rye is 90 per cent compared to 95 per cent a year ago and the ten year average of 89 per cent. This forecasts a crop of 5,585,000 bushels as compared to the final estimate of 6,650,000 bushels last year. Rye was damaged by wind also.

"A reduction of 13 per cent in the number of brood sows will mean a shortage in the swine crop, as it follows a reduction of 10 per cent made a year ago. The present number of brood sows is 635,000 head as compared to 730,000 head in 1919, 811,000 head in 1918 and 687,000 head in 1917. Farmers have been dissatisfied with the prices of hogs and complain that swine have been fed at a loss.

"The farm labor supply is 91 per cent as compared with a year ago and 78 per cent compared to the normal. The present labor requirements are 98 per cent as compared to a year ago and 98 per cent compared to the normal. Farmers comment that the range of wages asked from \$60 to \$125 per month with board, room and washing. Some plan to limit their acreage due to lack of competent labor and high wages asked.

"Estimates for the United States are as follows: Winter wheat conditions 75.6 per cent as compared to 59.8 per cent a year ago and forecasting a production of 483,617,000 bushels as compared to 731,636,000 bushels in 1919, 565,099,000 bushels in 1918, 412,901,000 bushels in 1917 and the 1912-19 average of 581,812,000 bushels. Rye condition 86.8 per cent promising 75,841,000 bushels as compared to 88,478,000 bushels last year."

MACHINISTS GIVE FAREWELL TO TRIO

Silver Leaf Local No. 1128 Entertain in Honor of Anton Toman, Monte Franks and Edgar Boggs.

From Monday's Daily. On Saturday evening the members of Silver Leaf local No. 1128 International Association of Machinists, gave a most delightful farewell in honor of three of their members who are to depart for the city to make their home elsewhere and the occasion throughout was one that was very much enjoyed and expressed in its fullest sense the feeling of cordial good fellowship in which the boys have been held by their associates.

The members of the party to the number of thirty-five gathered at the labor temple at 8 o'clock and the occasion proved a surprise on the three young men, Anton Toman, Jr., Monte Franks and Edgar Boggs, who had been kept in the dark as regarded the occasion of the meeting and when surrounded by the old friends and associates they were completely surprised, after a few minutes of visiting the party adjourned to the Parmele theater where they enjoyed the movies for a few hours and on their return were taken to the Russell cafe, where in the dining room a very enjoyable three course dinner was served. Mr. Russell had prepared the tables very handsomely with bouquets of flowers and which added to the general beauty of the scene. At the cafe Charles Dovey presided as toastmaster and Edward Martin assisted in the occasion. After the enjoyment of the fine dinner the members of the party adjourned to the labor temple, where a smoker was enjoyed for several hours and the members of the party tendered to their friends their best wishes for a successful future where they may decide to locate. Mr. Toman and Mr. Franks leave this evening for Kansas City to take up work in one of the auto factories of the city while Mr. Boggs and family will remove to Beatrice, their former home. Whenever they go the boys will carry the best wishes of their friends in the Silver Leaf local and the delightful time that the union gave the departing members will long be pleasantly remembered.

The merchant who doesn't advertise only when business is good will eventually quit it entirely.

COURT DECIDES IN FAVOR OF FATHER

Hearing on Writ of Habeas Corpus in Case of Paul Lemke, Decided in Favor of Boy's Father

From Monday's Daily. The hearing on the writ of habeas corpus secured by the father of little Paul Lemke and under which the child was taken from the home of his aunt, Mrs. Anna Guthmann in this city, to Lincoln, was decided Friday in favor of the father of the child. District Judge Stewart rendered the decision that took away from the home that has sheltered him since childhood, the little nine-year-old boy, and placed him in the hands of the father, who, while the natural guardian of the child, was practically a stranger. The decision of the court brought a sense of sorrow to the members of the family who have had the rearing of the boy and to the little fellow the announcement that he must leave the protecting care of his aunt was heart breaking and his cries echoed through the court room as the court pronounced the edict of separation from those that had cared for him.

The father, William Lemke, is a wealthy farmer of Lancaster county, where the writ was secured, and the child will be removed at once to his home to reside in the future.

YOUNG PEOPLE ARE JOINED IN WEDLOCK

Miss Violet F. Lair and Mr. Marion D. Schwatka of Omaha Are Married Here on Saturday Evening

From Monday's Daily. Saturday evening at 8 o'clock at the residence of Father W. S. Leete, rector of the St. Luke's Episcopal church occurred the marriage of two well known and popular young people, Miss Violet F. Lair and Mr. Marion D. Schwatka. The ceremony was that of the impressive ritualistic service of the Episcopal church, and the bridal couple were attended by James Farrar of Omaha and Mrs. Florence Newton of this city. Following the wedding the young people were entertained at luncheon at the Barclay safe.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Lair of this city and has spent her lifetime in this community, where she is held in the highest esteem by a large circle of warm friends who will be pleased to learn of her marriage. The groom is a former service man having enlisted at the outbreak of the world war in Company K 168th Infantry and served with this organization throughout the great struggle. He was for several months a resident of this city and an employe of the Burlington at the shops here, but of late has been employed at the Armour packing house at Omaha.

The young people expect to make their home in Omaha in the future and in their new home will carry the best wishes of a large circle of warm friends.

CUPID HAS AN INNING

From Monday's Daily. The county judge's office did a flourishing business in the marriage license line Saturday afternoon when Judge Beeson was called upon to unite in the bonds of wedlock, Mr. Frank J. Lukasek and Miss Mary Janca, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Janca of this city. Mr. Lukasek resides in Oklahoma, but has been here for some time on a visit and will on his return take with him one of our fair daughters. Judge Beeson also united in marriage George A. Hamilton and Miss Rose Sessions, both of Omaha. This ceremony was witnessed by Howard R. Freeman and Mary E. Cossacks, who accompanied the bridal party from the metropolis.

FUNERAL OF MRS. WOLFF

From Monday's Daily. This morning the funeral services of Mrs. Adam Wolff were held at the St. John's Catholic church and were attended by a large number of old friends and neighbors of this estimable lady who gathered to pay their last tribute of respect to her mem-

ory. The requiem mass was celebrated by Father M. A. Shine, rector of the church. The body was laid to rest in the Catholic cemetery west of the city in the family burial lot. To attend the services a large number of old neighbors from the vicinity of Murray were present to share with the family the grief that her death has occasioned.

FILES OBJECTION TO PROBATE OF WILL

Objections Filed by Mrs. David Hiatt of Sidney, Iowa, to Probate of Will of Mother Mrs. White

From Monday's Daily. This morning the hearing of the petition for the probate of the will of Mrs. Ann White, deceased, came up for hearing in the county court before Judge Beeson. The petition filed by Mark White, the son of the deceased lady asked for the appointment of D. J. Pittman of Murray as administrator and the allowing of the will. To this petition objection was filed by Mrs. David Hiatt of Sidney, Iowa, a daughter, through her attorneys, A. G. Cole of this city and Edward W. Mitchell of Council Bluffs. The petitioner is represented by Attorney A. L. Tidd. The objection sets forth that the deceased was suffering from a weakness due to old age and not competent to sign document, that it was not in accordance with law and also alleging undue influence. The case was laid over until April 21.

CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY

From Tuesday's Daily. The neighbors and friends of Mrs. Ben Hyde gathered at the pleasant Hyde home in South Park, Saturday, to assist the hostess in celebrating her birthday anniversary and the occasion was one filled with the greatest of pleasure to the members of the jolly party. A pleasant visit was enjoyed with the hostess and the hours passed most delightfully and the afternoon was brought to a close by a very dainty and delicious luncheon and on departing for their homes the ladies extended to Mrs. Hyde their best wishes for many more such pleasant events. Those who were in attendance were Mesdames John Haber, William Tuey, William Scarborough, Bruce Smith, Oliver York, Mary Thompson, Jesse Cahoon, Tom E. Jennings, Albert Murray, M. B. Allen, Henry Duley, Ed Cotner, M. Foot, Mrs. Ben Hyde, Mrs. Esther Earl and Misses Mildred Murray, Mildred Allen and Ella Hyde.

FUNERAL OF MRS. D. B. SMITH TODAY

Services Are Held at the Methodist Church of Which Deceased Had Been a Lifelong Member

From Monday's Daily. The funeral services of the late Mrs. Daniel B. Smith were held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the First Methodist church of which the deceased had been a devout member during her lifetime. The body arrived this morning from Thayer, Mo., where she passed away on Friday last and was taken to the church to lay in state until the funeral.

Rev. A. V. Hunter, pastor of the church, spoke words of comfort to the sorrowing family and old friends during the service and Mrs. E. H. Wescott gave one of the old favorite songs that had been so beloved by the departed lady during her lifetime. Mrs. Smith, who came to this city with her husband in 1874 has been among the most devoted members of the church in this city and her steadfastness in this faith continued unto death.

A large number of the old friends and neighbors gathered at the church to attend the services that marked the passing of a most estimable lady and one loved and esteemed by all those who had the pleasure of knowing her.

Wanted a Telephone Man.

Wanted, a competent telephone lineman to take charge of local telephone system. Apply at Union Mutual Telephone Co. W. B. BANNING, Union, Neb. 1wd&sw Daily Journal 10c per week.

DEATH OF MRS. BESSIE SPENCE SUNDAY

Aged Resident of That City Passes Away Sunday Evening After Illness of Some Weeks Duration

From Tuesday's Daily. Sunday evening at her home near Louisville occurred the death of Mrs. Bessie Spence, widow of William Spence, and one of the old residents of that community. Mrs. Spence was born in Newcastle, England, on July 15, 1832, and would have been eighty-eight years, had she lived a few months longer. The family have long made their home in this county and at Louisville where they were numbered the oldest residents. Several years ago the husband passed away and since that time the mother has been cared for by the children and at the time of her death her son John, was residing at home to care for the farm and the aged months. Several weeks ago Mrs. Spence fell and sustained a severe fracture of the hip and since that time has been gradually failing. To mother, several weeks ago Mrs. children, Charles of Havelock; John and Will Spence of Louisville; James of Portland, Oregon; Mrs. Hannah Ingram of Louisville and Mrs. Fannie Ingram of Broken Bow. One sister, Mrs. Jennie Clement of Plattsmouth and one brother, John W. Urwin of Louisville, also remain to mourn her death.

The funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at the late home near Louisville and the interment will be in the cemetery there.

AUTO THIEF IN NO PERIL, HYERS SAYS

Old-Time Horse Thief's Danger Much Greater—Few Land in Pen.

From Tuesday's Daily. Gus Hyers, chief of the Nebraska state law enforcement division, declares that the auto thief has by far the best of his ex-brother, the old-time horse thief.

Twenty-five years ago, when a man was caught stealing a \$50 horse, cries of "lynch him" were heard. He was sure to be convicted by a jury and sentenced to the penitentiary. A horse thief cannot be paroled.

In nine cases out of ten, Hyers says, the auto thief of today is either freed by a jury or paroled from the bench. The chances are he will never serve a day of his sentence.

Practically all automobile owners have insured their cars against theft. Should an insured car be stolen, the owner will be paid sixty days after the theft has been reported to the insurance company. In case the stolen car should be recovered, the original owner, in nine out of ten cases, will refuse to prosecute the thief.

Mr. Hyers draws a big line between joy-riders and first offenders and hardened criminals. For the former, he recommends the establishment of a detention farm, while he urges rigid punishment and long penitentiary terms for the latter. The organization of vigilance committees in communities, whose members pledge themselves to chase the thief when a car is stolen, is also recommended by Hyers.

NEW MATRON AT HOME

From Tuesday's Daily. The Masonic Home has a new matron in the person of Mrs. Lillian Carragher, who has for several years been at the home assisting in the care of the aged members of the family there. Mrs. Carragher is a lady well qualified for the position and her wonderful success in looking after the interests of the old people has made her especially valuable to the Home association. The many friends of this estimable lady will be pleased to learn of her promotion and with the splendid administration of Superintendent W. F. Evers the home is now under the best of management.

EGGS FOR HATCHING

Buff Orpington's eggs, \$1.00 per setting \$2.00 per 100. SAMUEL GOODMAN, Mynard, Neb. A 12-4w.

REJOICING AT DOVEY HOME.

From Tuesday's Daily. The message has been received here announcing the fact that a fine eight pound son has arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hazzard in New York, and that the mother and little one are both doing nicely. Mrs. Hazzard was formerly Miss Alice Dovey, the famous musical comedy star, and daughter of Mr. George E. Dovey of this city. Mrs. R. F. Patterson of this city has been at the Hazzard home for the past month and will return home soon to this city since the safe arrival of the young Mr. Hazzard. It is needless to say that the message brought much pleasure to the happy grandfather as well as the other relatives in the city.

PLATTSMOUTH MAN DIES IN KANSAS

Charles H. Searl, Formerly of This City, But Who Has Been Making His Home at Leavenworth, Dies

From Wednesday's Daily. The death and burial of Charles H. Searl, formerly of Plattsmouth, but who has for the past few years been a resident of the Soldiers' Home at Leavenworth, Kansas, occurred at that place some two weeks ago from information received here.

Mr. Searl was fifty years of age and has spent the greater part of his life time in Plattsmouth. He was a member of the First Nebraska Infantry during the Spanish-American war and served throughout the Philippine campaigns. A few years ago he was stricken with locomotor ataxia and has since been in failing health and has been making his home at the national home for the old soldiers and where he died and was buried at the cemetery there. He was a brother of A. M. Searl of this city and of Miss Addie Searl, who resided at Leavenworth to be near her brother.

PURCHASES TRACTORS

From Tuesday's Daily. William S. Wetenskap Saturday received a car of the celebrated fast-Farr tractors and before they were unloaded had disposed of one to County Attorney Cole, who will have it used on his farm near Holyoke, Colorado, and to which point it will be shipped at once. Mr. Wetenskap will dispose of the remaining tractors to the farmers of this vicinity.

COL. MOORE VERY ILL

From Tuesday's Daily. Col. W. H. Moore of this city is very ill at his home in this city suffering from illness caused by his very advanced age and his condition has become such as to occasion a great deal of worry to the members of his family. Mr. Moore is one of the pioneers of Nebraska and made his home in Nebraska City and near Plattsmouth since the early fifties, and his old friends will regret to learn of his illness.

CITY COUNCIL ENDORSES THE FREE BRIDGE

PASSES RESOLUTION AT MEETING TUESDAY NIGHT BY UNANIMOUS VOTE.

PLEDGE SUPPORT TO MOVE

To Give People of Cass County and Southeastern Nebraska Unrestrained Roadways.

The city council at its bi-monthly meeting Tuesday night unanimously passed a resolution endorsing the project of a free wagon bridge over the Platte river and pledged their hearty support to the enterprise.

The matter of a free bridge is one that has been considerably discussed of late, and the resolution of the city council will prove of interest to our readers. It follows:

RESOLUTION
Plattsmouth, April 12.
Whereas, Petitions signed by numerous citizens of the County of Cass, Nebraska, have been filed with the County Commissioners, praying for a free wagon bridge over the Platte river at Greepolis to accommodate the citizens of the county and many users of such bridge, and

Whereas, A free bridge over the Platte river is an enterprise that every citizen should feel deeply interested in, and will increase the value of property on both sides of the Platte river, therefore—

Be it Resolved, by the Mayor and Council of the City of Plattsmouth, That the City of Plattsmouth, and its citizens and the citizens of the county warmly endorse the project of a free wagon bridge across the Platte river on the highway north of the city, known as the Washington Highway, and we hereby pledge our hearty support to this proposition.

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be spread on the records of this county, a copy forwarded to the County Commissioners and a copy ordered printed in the Daily Journal of this city.

Passed and approved this 12th day of April, 1920.
H. A. SCHNEIDER, Mayor.
B. A. McELWAIN, City Clerk.
(Seal)

ENJOYS BIRTHDAY PARTY

From Wednesday's Daily. Mrs. Herman Fields, who returned yesterday afternoon to her home in Council Bluffs, Iowa, was, during her stay in this city, visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. L. Kinman, and while here was given a very pleasant birthday party. The occasion was one filled with much pleasure and in addition to the pleasant visit enjoyed with the friends and relatives, Mrs. Fields was presented with a number of useful and handsome gifts, and the occasion was one that will long be very pleasantly remembered.



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