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THE LARGEST CLASS RECEIVED IN 5 YEARS

FRATERNAL ORDER OF EAGLES ADDS SIXTY-SIX TO PRESENT MEMBERSHIP.

SOUTH OMAHA DEGREE TEAM

Was Present to Confer the Work—A Large Number Up from Nebraska City Aerie.

From Friday's Daily.

Last evening as a culmination of the work that has been done by the committee in charge of securing new members, the local aerie F. O. E. initiated the largest single class of members taken into the order in the last five years. In all there were 66 members attached to the local lodge, making the present roll in good standing now total 216.

The meeting was called to order by President J. M. Cunningham, of the Plattsmouth aerie, who turned its conduct over to the South Omaha officers, from aerie No. 154. The work was most beautifully exemplified by these boosters from the nearby lodge, assisted by the degree staff, which is one of the best drilled teams in the state.

President Andrew P. Moran of the Nebraska state aerie was present and made an address, as did also W. F. Moran, of the same place. Both are well qualified to speak on matters connected with the order, and having silver tongues they were not backward in promulgating the doctrines of Eagledom.

Secretary Bender of the Nebraska City aerie also responded with a short but pleasing address.

In addition to the outsiders, a number of local speakers, chosen from amongst the candidates made short talks. Among these were Mayor H. A. Schneider and Presiden. Frank M. Bestor of the commercial club, both of whom told of some of the good qualities they had observed as coming from the order, and spoke of their pleasure at being able to become members thereof.

Wm. Barclay, of this city, vice-president of the state aerie, and a man who ranks high in the annals of Eagledom, also made an eloquent address in behalf of the further extension of membership in the order, dealing with its fraternal qualities and refering to the accomplishments of the past and aims of the future. Mr. Barclay is in line for election to the state presidency at the 1921 convention which will be held in this city, and although he could doubtless have been elected to that position at Falls City this year, he graciously stepped aside and threw his support to the present incumbent, Andrew P. Moran, whose absence abroad as a war worker prevented him from being named in the usual order of succession.

At the conclusion of the initiatory work, the more than three hundred members in attendance were treated to a buffet luncheon, which was greatly enjoyed, and it was nigh unto the wee small hours when the last lingering ones had left for home. Of those in attendance thirty were up from Nebraska City and as many or more from South Omaha.

The membership drive will be continued for two weeks yet, after which the initiatory fee will be advanced.

The present class was one of the largest ever taken in during the existence of the lodge and although as many as fifty have gone in at one time within the past five years, this class of 66 has outstripped them all. Of those initiated many are business and professional men of the city, and all are of the class of timber that will make first class boosters.

The coming of the state convention to Plattsmouth next year will mean a big thing to Plattsmouth and the officers of the local aerie are taking the right action by lining up their forces early to prepare for it.

The next twelve months should be eventful ones in the history of local Eagledom.

AGED LADY DIE SAT OMAHA

From Friday's Daily.

Mrs. Katheryn Oeldemann of Omaha, who has made her home in the metropolis for the past forty years, died at her home last evening from the direct effects of a mastois tumor in the left side of her head near the base of the skull. Mrs. Oeldemann was at the advanced age of 81 years and had not been well for some time. She leaves to mourn her demise, one son and four daughters, they being Mesdames E. Bloomer, J. J. Hoffman, J. Bruesei and Fred Oeldemann all of Omaha, and Mrs. Otto Kreamer of this city. Mrs. Kreamer, who has made her home near Plattsmouth and is the youngest child of this aged lady, has but recently lost her husband and but a short time before lost another husband, and with what regularity the losses of near and dear loved ones come to her. It seems as if she is having her cup of sorrow filled to the brim. She has the sympathy of many friends in and near this city who share her sorrow in this loss. The funeral will occur at Omaha tomorrow. The husband of the aged lady died in Omaha about fifteen years ago.

ATTENDS FUNERAL TODAY

From Friday's Daily.

Judge J. T. Begley and wife, departed via auto this afternoon for Papillion, where they went to attend the funeral of the late James R. Wilson, who has been clerk of the district court for Sarpy county for a number of years. Mr. Wilson was spoken of as being an excellent gentleman and is held in respect by all who have come in contact with public and private life.

EAGLE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DEDICATED

Cass County Educational Institution is Now Completed—First to Favor Consolidation.

From Friday's Daily

A dedicatory meeting commemorating the completion of the Eagle consolidated school was held there a few days ago, being largely attended by patrons of the district and others from a greater distance.

State Superintendent John M. Matzen was present and addressed the meeting, taking as his subject, "Nebraska's Schools."

"Nebraska's Vocational Interests," was the subject ably handled by Alice M. Loomis, state director of home economics.

The dedicatory address was delivered by H. H. Marmon, as was also the dedicatory prayer. Several musical numbers were rendered.

HOT WEATHER INSURES CORN CROP

Eastern Nebraska Fields Practically Beyond Danger of Frost Damage —Still Soft in Lowlands

From Friday's Daily.

Practically all of eastern Nebraska's bumper corn crop has hardened sufficiently during the hot weather of the past four days to withstand a heavy frost, according to reports received Wednesday night from nearly a score of towns extending from the Kansas line to the Niobrara river.

Fields in lowlands will require from a week to twenty days of high temperature to properly mature, reports indicate. The highland crop now is beyond damage by frost.

Record yields will be harvested in many sections, estimates running as high as seventy-five bushels an acre.

The reports by communities:

Auburn—Entire crop matured. Record yield predicted.

Tecumseh—Best crop in fifteen years. Early corn safe; late still soft. Some fields will require six weeks of warm weather to mature.

Fairbury—Crop out of danger. Slight damage done by hail last week.

Nebraska City—Another week of warm weather needed to insure a crop on the bottom land. Highlands crop insured.

Blair—Yields of seventy-five bushels predicted. Fields turning yellow. No frost danger, except in few low fields.

Tekamah—Ten to fifteen days of warm, dry weather needed to insure biggest crop in history.

Wahoo—Crop maturing rapidly. One week of hot weather sufficient except for latest plantings. Prospects best ever.

Fremont—The past four days have insured crop, except on lands along river.

David City—No danger from frost. Prospects regarded as best ever.

West Point—All fields sufficiently hardened to withstand frost.

Columbus—All fields practically matured.

Bloomfield—Ears hardening. The yield will be record. Few poor fields in lowlands.

Hartington—Sixty-five per cent of crop out of danger. Another week without frost will insure crop in bottom lands. Record yield except in low places.

Norfolk—Biggest crop in years. But little soft corn in lowlands. Highlands beyond frost damage.

GETTING MORE CARS

From Friday's Daily

The Missouri Pacific are receiving a few more cars at this place and the elevator is able to handle a few more consignments of grain. The matter of a considerable amount of grain going to the Burlington and being loaded on the tracks here may, in a measure, have some influence on the more generous supply which the Missouri Pacific is furnishing. In any case this is a relief to the farmer who has been holding his grain for so many months, seeking an opportunity to market the same. But did you notice how soft the prices are getting when the cars are more plentiful.

RECEIVES WORD OF DEATH OF FATHER

"Rube" Earhart and Family Leave This Afternoon for Steel City to Attend Funeral.

From Thursday's Daily.

"Rube" Earhart, the barber, who is employed in the American Legion shop located in the Wagner hotel block, received a telegram today from his brother, P. D. Earhart, of Steel City, Nebraska, telling of the death of their father, D. H. Earhart, at that place, this morning.

The elder Earhart had not been in the best of health for some time and was well advanced in years, being considerably past his alloted three score and ten. For a number of years he has been afflicted with dropsy.

The telegram was brief, telling only of the father's death and not stating when the funeral would be held. Mr. Earhart and family departed on the afternoon train for Steel City to attend the burial of the aged father.

Mr. Earhart and family, during their residence here have made many friends whom the Journal joins in extending sympathy in their hour of sorrow.

MARRIAGE OF POPULAR YOUNG FOLKS

Joseph E. Hawksworth, of Lincoln, and Miss Elizabeth Beeson Wedded at Glenwood.

From Tuesday's Daily.

As a surprise to their friends, Joseph E. Hawksworth, of Lincoln, who is engaged with the Burlington as a freight brakeman, and Miss Elizabeth Beeson, daughter of Judge and Mrs. A. J. Beeson, of this city, went to Glenwood, Iowa, where they were united in marriage by the pastor of the Methodist church at the parsonage.

The young people, who were provided with transportation, departed for a tour of some two weeks thru the west and upon their return will be at home to their friends in Lincoln after October 1st.

The Journal joins their numerous friends in offering congratulations and hearty well wishes for a long and prosperous married life.

CASS COUNTY FARM A MODEL INSTITUTION

From Thursday's Daily.

Two of the members of the Journal force drove out to the Cass county farm last evening to purchase some apples, and while there, Mr. Askew, who was looking after the work of gathering the apples in the absence of Supt. G. H. Tams, who had been called to Omaha on business connected with the management of the farm, showed us about the place, which in our judgment is in a very prosperous condition.

The first thing to attract our attention was the scrupulously clean and neat appearance of the buildings as well as the outside appearance of the house and lawn. Everything is kept in its place and general order is maintained.

Every year a large amount of produce from the farm finds its way to the markets of this city, where it is sold and the money turned into the treasury of the county to help pay operating expenses of the farm.

The Cass county farm is a model and many times committees of other counties and even from other states have come here to view this institution and gain ideas for improvement of their own.

SUIT AGAINST SCHOOL BOARD IS DISMISSED

County Judge Beeson Hears Evidence and Decides to Quash Action Brought by Miss Liston.

From Thursday's Daily

Before County Judge A. J. Beeson this morning was heard a case wherein Miss Geraldine Liston, who had a contract for teaching school in District number 23 last year, but who was dismissed by the board of education two months prior to the ending of the term, sought to collect wages for the two months she was not permitted to teach.

The case was closely contested, a number of witnesses offering testimony in support of each side, and after having heard the testimony and summoning up arguments of both sides, Judge Beeson handed down a decision dismissing the case, as he concluded the board of education was justified in dismissing the plaintiff teacher.

AFTER THIRTY YEARS ABSENCE

From Thursday's Daily

This morning Peter Freidrich and family, the former a cousin of Martin L. Freidrich of this city, arrived from their home at Pekin, Ill., and will visit with the family of their cousin and other friends for some time.

Mr. Peter Freidrich was a resident of Cass county some thirty years ago and at that time was in the employ of M. L. Freidrich on his farm west of this city. Peter is at this time a properous farmer near Pekin, Ill. They were accompanied by Mr. Henry Lutz of Pekin, who is visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. J. P. Falter and also with another sister, Mrs. P. H. Meisinger, living west of Plattsmouth, and other relatives.

ELECTION WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY

This is a Very Important Election As the Constitution of Nebraska Depends Upon the Vote.

From Thursday's Daily.

Remember that we are to have an election next Tuesday and one of the most important that could come before the people, as it is the fundamental laws of the state and the liberties and rights of the people which are involved. Acquaint yourself with the constitution section by section, and pass judgment on each section separately and then cast your vote accordingly. No one knows better than you what the laws under which you have to live you most desire. You are a citizen and elector, and while in the legislature the representatives are delegated with the making of the laws, you are now called upon to form the constitution by which these laws are to be interpreted, and it is only seldom that this privilege and duty comes to you. All should vote and vote just exactly their sentiments and desires, for this is the foundation of the liberties and rights of the people.

CELEBRATED BIRTHDAY IN METROPOLIS

Grandfather and Grandson are Surrounded by Friends and Relatives to Observe Event.

From Thursday's Daily

Last Sunday, September 11th being the birthday of both Charles A. Harvey, of Mynard, and Ralph Tyler, his grandson, residing in Omaha, the day was properly observed and a host of friends and relatives were brought together in Omaha to celebrate the event.

From the data furnished, we are unable to figure out just how many years either or both of the honored guests have seen, but judging from the circumstances surrounding the matter would infer that the grandfather is considerably older than the grandson.

The day was spent in very pleasant sociability, as it was a meeting of friends, and the merry laugh and hearty greeting were indicative of a general good time being enjoyed by all. The feature of the occasion was the old fashioned fried chicken dinner which was partaken of by all those in attendance.

Those present to enjoy the event were Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Harvey, of Mynard; Oliver Harvey and wife and little daughter, Phillis, also of Mynard; Geo. Goodman and wife, of Weeping Water; George Harvey and wife and little son, Robert, of Logan, Iowa, and Mr. and Mrs. Sidney L. Tyler and family.

The only thought to in any way mar the delightful occasion was the fact that on the first of the coming year Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Harvey are to remove to Kansas where they will make their home in the future. The many friends as the time to depart arrived, extended to the two whose birthdays were being observed, best wishes for the return of many more such happy occasions.

THRESHING AT COUNTY FARM

From Thursday's Daily.

While in Omaha yesterday, superintendent of the Cass county farm, had his daughter, Mrs. Fred Rezner, return home with him in order to assist her mother, Mrs. G. H. Tams, in the cooking which would be required as at the county farm today they are doing the threshing.

The small grain for the year consists of wheat and oats and of both they are expecting a good yield. Mr. Tams tells of an abundant crop of hay as well.

WILL RETURN TO THE SOUTH

From Friday's Daily.

A. B. Hitchman of Weeping Water, a brother of R. C. Hitchman of this city, arrived from Weeping Water this afternoon for a short visit with his brother and family before departing for Tampico, Mexico, where he is working as a civil engineer in the new oilfields. Mr. A. B. Hitchman, who was with the oil companies there for some time has been enjoying a two months vacation at his home at Weeping Water and is now just returning to take up his work again.

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TEMPERANCE WORKERS IN CONVENTION

Cass County W. C. T. U. Members Gather Here for Society's Annual Meeting.

From Thursday's Daily

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the real element behind the reform which has swept over the country and played no small part in making the nation dry, is assembled in county convention here today at the Presbyterian church.

Five local Unions, located at Eagle, Plattsmouth, Louisville, Union and Weeping Water are all represented at the convention, members of the Plattsmouth union being present in large numbers. The convention will close tonight with addresses by Hon. E. M. Pollard on "The New Constitution and Law Enforcement," and by Rev. H. G. McClusky on "The Future of Prohibition."

This is the twenty-ninth annual meeting of the Cass county union.

Irrespective of personal views, no one can help but respect these earnest workers who have gladly sacrificed both time and money throughout a long period of years in order to aid in molding the sentiment which finally crystalized and brought about the reforms of the past few years.

To this staunch band is due much of the credit for what has been accomplished, rather than to the hyphenated damp-dry demagogue politicians who have posed in late years as reformers, after they saw the handwriting on the wall, when they mustered up sufficient courage to lift their little finger in support of the cause. We wonder where such as these will stand when the judgment day rolls 'round.

The convention program is being carried out as we go to press, and in tomorrow's issue we will publish a detailed work of the doings of this year's meeting.

Sociability is one of the main features of W. C. T. U-ism, and in truly democratic manner the ladies served dinner from the kitchen of the First Presbyterian church, and a meal that was much enjoyed.

The convention activities were planned by Mrs. J. D. Cross president of the Cass county unions, and are proving highly successful.

ANOTHER VETERAN TO ATTEND THE ENCAMPMENT

From Friday's Daily.

George W. Wall, an employe of the Missouri Pacific at La Platte, was in town this morning making arrangements to leave Sunday for Indianapolis, where he will attend the National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic next week. Mr. Wall was desirious of going in company with Asbury Jacks, commander of the local G. A. R. post, but upon arrival here found that Mr. Jacks had departed yesterday, intending to stop off en route. Mr. Wall will leave Sunday, going via St. Louis, as he has transportation over the Missouri Pacific. He expects to meet a cousin, Geo. Beaty, whom he has not seen for some thirty years, at the reunion.

Mr. Wall entered the service from Wilton Junction, Iowa, and was a member of Co. B, 44th Iowa regiment. Gradually the ranks of the veterans of '61-'65 are thinning, but those who are left take greater interest than ever in the national encampments held each year.

BALLOT PRINTED IN VARIOUS FORMS

Some Counties Disregard Orders of Constitutional Convention for a Callot in Pamphlet Form

Several counties are said to have printed ballots for the special election September 21 in a form contrary to the decree of the constitutional convention. Secretary of State Amsberry has received a letter from the county clerk of Saunders county asking if it is unlawful to print the constitutional amendments in "string" form instead of pamphlet form. The secretary of state has replied that such a ballot will not be illegal or void. Others have grave doubts about this for the reason that the constitutional convention explicitly states that the ballot shall be in pamphlet form and the convention has power to define the manner and form in which amendments shall be submitted to the voters.

It is said other counties besides Saunders on one sheet of paper similar to the general election ballot. The constitutional convention received a report from a committee which was not positive enough as to the form of the ballot to suit some members, and on motion of Evans of Adams the convention ordered the ballot to be printed in pamphlet form with space on the back for the endorsement of election officers. This was the final action of the convention, though the printed minutes omit any mention of the vote on the subject. It stops with the motion on Evans' motion being put to the convention by President Weaver. While many voters prefer the long form ballot, it was a pamphlet ballot which the convention ordered used at the special election.—Lincoln Journal.

WILL VISIT IN THE NORTH

From Thursday's Daily.

This morning Carl Kineman departed for Knox and Antelope counties, where he is interested in some land and will spend some time there. He will visit the towns of Pierce and Plainview, and visit with the many old time friends who have moved from this city and county in the past few years. Mr. Kunsman has an excellent farm in that county and will look after the place while he is there.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS HAVE BIG TIME AT LOUISVILLE

From Thursday's Daily.

The annual convention of the Royal Neighbors of America, held at Louisville yesterday afternoon and last evening, was well attended by representatives and members from all over the county.

Plattsmouth's quota at the convention was more than filled, some twenty-five from here being present at the meeting and banquet last night. Nearly all of these went via auto and remained until a late hour.

The program is declared to have been an excellent one and was enjoyed by all. This feature of the fraternal society's work in Cass county is most pleasing as each year large numbers of the members gather together for a good time.

DID THEIR OWN SERENADING AFTER Q. T. WEDDING

From Thursday's Daily.

Yesterday afternoon two couples from Weeping Water appeared at the office of County Judge Beeson, and after the usual preliminaries, one of the couples was united in marriage. During the time they were taking the marriage vows, a number of young men about town who had noticed the car draw up at the curb and suspected that something was about to happen, printed a placard reading, "What will the harvest be —Just married." This they attached to the rear of the car together with a few pairs of old overshoes, and a number of tin cans which were given enough "rope" to drag noisily over the rough paving on Plattsmouth's main street.

The ladies came from the court house first and slowly walked towards town. A little later the men sauntered forth and entered the car to drive away, but with the car making a bedlam of noises, they turned up a side street to divest it of its serenadial trimmings and later effect a meeting with the ladies where no one might guess the happy truth.

Despite the annoyance to which they were subjected all went away happy, and we trust they will ever remain so.

CLAIMS FIRST FROST

From Thursday's Daily.

Passengers passing through Pacific Junction, Ia., on the early trains of the Burlington tell of a light frost which was discernable on the tops of the box cars in the yards at that place, but not of enough to amount to cause any damage. A little frost were it not too much might check the growth and hastening the ripening of the corn.

VISITING WITH UNION FRIENDS

Mrs. Emma Hilborn of Los Angeles passed through this city this morning enroute for Union, where she goes as the guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Cheney of that place of whom she is a relative.

W. C. T. U. IS PLEASED OVER LATE SUCCESS

HOLD INTERESTING AND PROFITABLE COUNTY CONVENTION IN THIS CITY

ELECTED OFFICERS FOR YEAR

Last Evening Large Crowd Listened to Elegant Music and Eloquent Address of Hon. E. M. Pollard

From Friday's Daily.

The county convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of this county, which met at the First Presbyterian church yesterday and last evening, was well attended and especially the meeting of last evening. The meeting of the morning was given over routine business, while the afternoon session was devoted to the business of the convention, the nomination and election of the county officers for the coming year. There were five towns represented, they being Eagle, Weeping Water, Louisville, Union and Plattsmouth.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

Mrs. Crause of Weeping Water, president; Mrs. John F. Gorder of Plattsmouth, vice president; Mrs. Oliver Harman of Avoca, secretary; Mrs. M. M. McFall of Eagle, treasurer.

The evening meeting which was well attended was opened by a song service which was led by Mrs. E. H. Wescott, and was followed by a special number by Miss Mae Prang, one of the faculty of the high school of this place, both the opening exercise and the special number being very highly enjoyed by the audience which listened in wrapt attention to the excellent music.

The address of the evening was delivered by the Hon. E. M. Pollard, who spoke on the New Constitution and Law Enforcement. The address was a masterful one on the subject, and as Mr. Pollard was one of the committee who formulated the new constitution, he was well qualified to make the address he did. The audience appreciated the address as it was filled with the exact information which they had sought.

Rev. H. G. McClusky made an eloquent address on "The Future of Prohibition" and which was masterful. Touching as it did the future of the law and its effects on the society and government, he explained the good results which would follow in the wake of an enforcement of the spirit of the law as contrasted with the conditions which it obtained before the law went into effect. The prayer at the opening of the evening meeting was delivered by the Rev. A. V. Hunter of the Methodist church.

BACK FROM HOSPITAL

From Friday's Daily.

Uncle Benjamin F. Hoback, making his home between Union and Nehawka, who has been in the Minor hospital at Kansas City for the past five weeks where he has been under the care of physicians and surgeons, having treatment for the betterment of his health, returned home last Saturday evening and is now recuperating. Mr. Hoback is feeling considerable better, but not as much as he had desired, but hopes with the lapse of time to be restored to his usual health.

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