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FARMERS SHOULD HAVE ORGANIZATION

Farm Bureau Serves the Ruralist in Same Manner as Chamber of Commerce Does Merchant

Murray, Nebraska.

A few weeks ago there were many organizations over the country composed of merchants and known as Commercial clubs. Then the name was changed to something more ominous and the Commercial clubs appeared as Chambers of Commerce.

The farmers of the country felt a need for some kind of organization for their work that would be beneficial to them in the same way that the Chambers of Commerce benefit merchants. There existed already a kind of one armed giant that was doing much for the farmer and so naturally enough the giant was given an opportunity to develop with the result that the Farm Bureau came into existence.

The County Agent, sponsored by the county and the Government, had been doing much for the agricultural interests, but the field was so much larger than a county agent could handle that it was desired to add to the force at the disposal of the farm interests. Some counties wished to stress boys' and girls' pig clubs, calf clubs, sewing clubs and hired a club agent to look after this work. Other counties wanted to give help to women of the county, just as the county agent had helped the men. In Cass county the Farm Bureau board decided to employ a home demonstration agent and secured Miss Ida Wilkins.

Miss Wilkins and County Agent Snipes managed to give time and encouragement to the club work and to carry on other duties specifically outlined. That the board was wise in selecting a home demonstration agent has been amply proved by the fact that Miss Wilkins has had more calls than she has been able to answer. In the dress form work alone and with only about half a year of her time spent, she has almost secured the equivalent of her salary to the women of Cass county who have availed themselves of her services.

I said above that a club or demonstration agent was hired. But who paid the bill? Just here is where the members of the Farm Bureau Federation get the credit for supporting a live county organization. Just as the progressive life of a town depends upon a live group of merchants organized to put the town across, so a progressive county is dependent upon its live farmers to put the county across by supporting the Farm Bureau.

Last year the farmers of Cass county voluntarily joined the Farm Bureau and paid \$10 for one year's membership. Half of this fee went to the state and national Farm Bureaus to correlate the work for the various counties and to give representation to farm interests in the halls of congress. The other half is used entirely in Cass county and the returns from the work of the home demonstration agent will show at the end of her year's work that it has been well invested.

The cost of organizing the Cass county Farm Bureau need not be met again and it is economically sound; therefore membership in the Farm Bureau for the coming year is but only \$5, half of last year's price.

As the merchants support their Chambers of Commerce for the benefits derived, so the farmers support their Farm Bureaus because of the benefits derived.

Yours very truly,
SEARL S. DAVIS.

ASKS TRUANT OFFICER BUT NONE APPOINTED

From Monday's Daily.

The matter of the appointment of a truant officer for Cass county was brought up at the meeting of the county commissioners the last of the week when a communication was presented by County Superintendent Miss Alpha Peterson.

The county superintendent suggested the appointment of an officer with a fee of \$2 for each case handled and a mileage of fifteen cents a mile. The suggestion was made that the office be conferred on Sheriff Quinton, but that official does not look kindly on the matter and the board decided that they would reduce the fee to \$1 per case and ten cents per mile. As the matter stands there is no one appointed to the office and the filling of this place will be left for a future time.

A GREAT SUCCESS

From Monday's Daily.

The Christmas shop held by the ladies of St. Mary's Guild in the Hotel Wagner was closed Saturday evening and proved one of the most pleasing from every standpoint that the ladies have held. The society will realize a neat sum from their efforts and their patrons and friends were all very much delighted with the excellent treatment received and the splendid line of goods that were handled by the ladies at the shop.

Blank Books at the Journal Office.

AND WHY NOT?

In Lincoln the Elks and American Legion have been successful in securing the repeal of an old ordinance against boxing and citizens of the capital city will be given opportunity of witnessing monthly boxing shows under the state law permitting their being held where not otherwise barred by city or county authorities.

Interest in boxing is growing over the state since the passage of the control law and it won't be very long until it will be as popular with all classes of people as is baseball, football or any of the dozen other athletic sports of today.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKET BALL FOR THE SEASON

Schedule is Announced with Exception of Two Open Dates—Also List of Eligible Players

The basket ball season this year will be launched on Friday, December 16th when the local high school team meets the team of the Louisville high school at the high school gym here and from then on the time will be well occupied with games until the close of the season in March.

The members of the squad from which the basket ball team will be selected are as follows: Howard Dwyer, Harry Dwyer, Raymond Bookmeyer, Frank Gradoville, Harold Mullis, Harold Renner, Stewart Chase, Charles Hartford, Charles Egenberger, Alfred Calvert, Carl Ofe, Earl Troop, Joe Krejci, Frank Koubek, Elmer Fitchorn, Edgar McGuire, Russell Wasley, John Warg.

The following is the schedule of games for the season:

At Plattsmouth.
December 16th, Louisville.
December 21st, Weeping Water.
January 20th, Auburn.
January 31st, Nebraska City.
February 3rd, Creighton.
February 8th, Havelock.
February 10th, Benson.
February 21st, Ashland.
Away from Home
January 13th, Creighton.
February 17th, Auburn.
February 24th, Nebraska City.
March 4th, Benson.

There are two open dates on the schedule, January 6th and 27th, that will probably be dated up before the season is started out.

PLATTSMOUTH BOYS LOSE MOVIE CASE IN IOWA COURT

From Monday's Daily.

The many friends of Marion Dickson and Don Arrives of this city, will be interested to learn of the outcome of an action in the district court of Iowa, which involved the moving picture theatre owned by Judge Bradley, in the Plymouth county district court, has sustained the contention of the city of LeMars, which led to the arrest of parties conducting moving picture shows on Sunday, appeal having been taken from the ruling of the mayor's court. In the decision the court stated that it was not a matter of whether or not theatres ought to be allowed to run on Sundays, but simply a question of law and that all authorities quoted and precedents indicated that the regulation of the pictures was within the police powers of the state as contended by the city. As to the claim that allowing other business to continue on Sunday while moving pictures were closed being unjust discrimination, the court held that legislators had a right to classify businesses, and so long as there was no discrimination between members of any one class, no discrimination exists within the law.

FARES PRETTY WELL

This city has so far been rather fortunate in the matter of feeling the pinch of the tightening of the industrial conditions of the country and as compared with the towns in this immediate vicinity. The railroad employees at Omaha have suffered two layoffs now, the last being announced on Saturday when the Union Pacific laid off some 200 men in their shops in that city and following the layoff of two weeks ago of about this number, and added to this the packing house strike in Omaha has added several thousand other persons to the idle list. In Nebraska City also the packing strike has been keenly felt as the plant there employed some 500 men and the greater part of whom are now out for an indefinite period.

CHRISTMAS VACATION TO BEGIN DECEMBER 23RD

From Monday's Daily.

The Christmas vacation in the Plattsmouth city schools will start on Friday, December 23rd, and will extend over Christmas and New Year, and school will be resumed on Monday, January 9th. This will enable the teachers and pupils who reside out of the city or desire to visit other points, the opportunity of an outing.

W. R. C. HOLD THEIR ANNUAL ELECTION

Named Officers for Ensuing Year at Meeting Saturday Afternoon—Large Number Present

From Monday's Daily.

The members of the local post of the Woman's Relief Corps held a very interesting meeting on Saturday afternoon at their rooms in the court house and which was very largely attended by the ladies who hold membership in the organization.

In the naming of officers the following were chosen: Mrs. Martha J. Peterson, president; Mrs. Frances Purdy, senior vice president; Mrs. Elizabeth Streight, junior vice president; Mrs. C. S. Forbes, secretary; Mrs. O. C. Hudson, treasurer; Mrs. L. B. Egenberger, conductor.

The ladies enjoyed the time very much and they honored two of their oldest members in point of service, Mrs. Petersen and Mrs. Streight, both of whom have been members of the post for the greater part of its existence and this is the third time that Mrs. Petersen has been called to fill the office of president of the organization.

MINORS IN POOL HALLS LOOKED INTO

Police Make Roundup of Youthful Persons Found in Pool Halls Saturday Night

The police on Saturday evening made a roundup of the pool and billiard halls in an effort to weed out the lads under eighteen years of age that might be found there. While the billiard and pool halls all have signs warning the minors or those under eighteen years of age to keep out, a great many of them are able to get by on account of their size and general appearance and therefore there is no question asked usually as to their age while other smaller lads will drift in with their larger comrades and get into the games before anyone is aware of the matter.

The authorities will make an effort to see that those who fall under the age of eighteen are kept out of the billiard parlors in the future and several lads were given the once over this morning by County Attorney A. G. Cole as to their practice of making these places a loafing headquarters.

DAUGHTERS OF REVOLUTION HAVE MOST PLEASANT TIME

Entertained at the E. A. Stanfield Home last Evening for Supper and Business Session.

From Tuesday's Daily.

The ladies of the Fontenelle chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution were very pleasantly entertained last evening at the home of Mrs. E. A. Stanfield. The members of the chapter enjoyed a very dainty and appetizing repast at 6 o'clock as the prelude to the business session of the evening. The tables were arranged with decorations of pink roses and made a pleasing touch to the scene.

Mrs. L. H. Wescoat was the leader of the evening and the subject taken up was that of the early French explorers of the United States and included the work among the Indians that these hardy Frenchmen had carried on. Mrs. H. R. Cole gave the review of the D. A. R. magazine and the many articles were discussed freely.

HERE FROM WYOMING

From Monday's Daily.

J. S. Gopen, a former resident of Cass county and now living near Basin, Wyoming, was here for the week end visiting at the home of his brother, Oscar Gopen and family, returning this morning to the west. Mr. Gopen is engaged in ranching in the west and is located twenty miles from Basin, and some thirty-five miles from Graybull, one of the liveliest towns in that portion of Wyoming. He is near the oil belt and has hopes that the immediate territory in which his land is located may be able to develop into an oil producing locality. While in the city Saturday Mr. Gopen called at the Journal and renewed his subscription to the semi-weekly edition.

SUPPLEMENTS ARE MISSED

Saturday afternoon a number of the special bargain day ads were omitted from the Journal, due to the failure of the supplement placed in the daily edition. These were omitted from a few of the outer wards of the city and the subscribers are asked to overlook this unfortunate occurrence.

FOR SALE

2 big type Poland China boars, pedigree papers furnished. \$20.
Phone 3513 A. O. RAMGE.

VISITORS IN THE CITY

From Monday's Daily.

Yesterday Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Egenberger had as guests at their home, Attorney W. J. Hotz and wife and son, Will, Jr., Dr. Edward Hotz and Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Egenberger, the party motoring down Saturday evening and spending the day here. Dr. Edward Hotz, who is a nephew of Mrs. L. B. Egenberger, has just returned from New York where he was engaged as an intern in one of the leading hospitals there and completing his training in the medical profession.

GOLDEN JUBILEE IS A BIG ATTRACTION

First National Bank Holds Open House to Hundreds of Friends and Patrons Yesterday.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Yesterday the First National Bank of this city observed its golden jubilee in a most fitting manner and in honor of the occasion the bank was visited by several hundred of the friends and patrons, many of whom have enjoyed an acquaintance and business associations with the bank and its officers for the half century just closed.

The lobby of the banking room was decorated in the holy and Christmas colors and presented a very attractive appearance in addition to the usual elegant and handsome furnishings of the bank and here the hundreds were received by the members of the banking house, President H. N. Dovey and Cashier G. O. Dovey were the chief receivers of the visitors and everyone was made to feel that it was truly the bank where you were made welcome and would be given of courteous treatment at all times.

In honor of the occasion the bank had handsome booklets printed, giving the history of the bank and illustrated with the past officers and in addition to these gentlemen were presented with silver pens and cigars, while the ladies received candy and the pencils. Not to forget the children a large array of pop guns had been purchased and these delighted the little folks, who will long remember the First National and their anniversary.

A rather striking incident of the anniversary was the fact that at the time the First National Bank was established here, Mr. Edward G. Dovey, one of the first men interested in the bank, was fifty-eight years of age and today Horatio N. Dovey, his son and present president of the bank is also in his fifty-eighth year.

It was an occasion that the bank and its officers can well feel proud of and the community in general trusts that this splendid old financial institution may enjoy its one hundredth anniversary in the pleasant circumstances as the 50th anniversary was carried out.

CLOSES OUT BUSINESS TO TAKE TREATMENT

Nelson Martin, one of the well known residents of Union, has closed out his business interests in that place, consisting of a soft drink and confectionary store and has gone to Lincoln, where he will take treatment at the hospital in that place. Mr. Martin some ten years ago suffered a fracture of one of his legs and which has never fully recovered from the effects of the injury and still gives him a good deal of pain and suffering at times and in fact makes it difficult for him to get around. He has had a number of operations performed on the leg but without success and he now hopes that he may secure some permanent relief from the course of treatment in the hospital.

ENTERTAINS FOR FRIENDS

From Monday's Daily.

Miss Helen Hunter very pleasantly entertained yesterday at her home in this city in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Will Rapp of Omaha. Mrs. Rapp having formerly been Miss Leona Phillip. The hostess entertained very delightfully at dinner, the centerpiece being a large cut class basket of beautiful Carolina roses. Covers were laid for ten and the occasion one that will be long very pleasantly remembered.

ADDRESSES YOUNG MEN

From Tuesday's Daily.

Last evening County Attorney A. G. Cole was the guest of the members of the Young Men's Bible class of the Methodist church and gave the members of the class a very interesting and pleasing talk on matters pertaining to the administration of the law, following the address the time was spent in music and in the enjoyment of the refreshments provided.

FARM LOANS

Lowest rates, 5, 7, 10, 15 and 20 years. G. M. McClerkin, at the Bank of Cass County, Plattsmouth, Nebraska.

Journal want ads pay. Try them.

COUNCIL HAS BUSY SESSION LAST EVENING

DECIDE TO INVESTIGATE MATTER ANOTHER NIGHT MAN ON POLICE FORCE.

From Tuesday's Daily.

Last evening the regular semi-monthly session of the city council was held and the councilmen enjoyed a busy time in the hour and a half that they were in session, and every member of the council was on duty when Mayor Johnson called time.

One of the first matters to come before the session was a petition of a number of the residents in the west part of the city, in and adjoining Richey Place relative to opening a road there that had been closed for some time, and it was decided to refer it to the streets, alleys and bridges committee as well as the city attorney, who would give the law on the subject to the committee.

Another communication was that of E. M. Buttery relative to an overcharge on a gas meter, but as there were no facts stated by the council, the matter was turned over to Chairman Schuhof of the lighting committee to wrestle with and report later.

George Taylor also presented an offer to the council to supply cinders at \$1.50 per load to the city for use if they desired in the cemetery roads or any other place that they might designate and this matter was turned over to the cemetery committee for action. Councilman Brittain, chairman of the committee stated that the section Mr. Tuleen had made a number of loads of cinders in the cemetery without additional cost and that he did not think that they would need any more until spring.

In regard to an extra item of \$10 on the claim bill of Officer Chandler, Mayor Johnson explained that one date some weeks ago Mr. Chandler had been sick and that the chief had placed William Grebe on duty and that at that time it had been understood that the question of pay should be handled by the police themselves and this was the cause of the extra amount. On motion the bill was ordered paid.

The insurance on the city hall was also brought up and disclosed that the policy of the building was for the sum of \$2,500, furniture and fixtures for \$1,000, and the fire truck for \$1,000. On motion of Councilman Ptacek the finance committee was authorized to look into the matter and see if more insurance could not be carried on the truck in the future.

Chief of Police Alvin Jones reported that seven arrests had been made for the month and the sum of \$141 collected that had been turned over to the court and treasurer.

City Clerk Duxbury had also a very pleasing month in the way of collections and \$1,492.91 had been placed to the city's credit in the home box of the city.

City Treasurer C. E. Hartford reported that there was at present in the treasury at the time of making out the report the sum of \$18,147.18 and registered warrants outstanding to the sum of \$126,258.

On the subject of Councilman Ptacek the sum of \$415 due to contractor Bert Coleman for the paving on Pearl street was ordered paid.

Councilman Ptacek of the streets, alleys and bridges committee also reported that in regard to the petition for a sanitary sewer on the north side of Pearl street, the committee had investigated and found that the construction of the sewer would work a hardship on some of the residents on that side of the street who were supplied with sewer facilities from the sewer already installed in that section of the city and therefore the committee would not recommend approval. This report was adopted by the council. The streets, alleys and bridges committee also reported favorably on the proposition of the narrowing of Smith avenue and that the cost of the work be borne by the residents of that locality. Councilman Maurer stated that he had taken the matter up with the residents there and that they had all finally agreed to that proposition, altho a number thought that that section of the city had not received much benefit from the amount of taxes they had paid.

Councilman McCarthy of the fire and water committee reported that the committee had not been able to close up the matter of a contract with the water company and desired that Chairman Schuhof secure an engineer who could prepare a scale of rates that would be just and equitable to the city and the consumers. This request was granted by the council.

In regard to the lighting proposition Chairman Schuhof's report which the committee stated that the committee had met with Engineer Bruce and requested him to go over the books of the Nebraska Gas & Electric Co., so as to find out the operating costs of the plant and the committee presented the report which was complete and concise as to the costs made in the manufacture and distribution of the current.

The report submitted stated that the engineer had made an examination of the meter readings of the

power company from January to June 1921 and that the examination disclosed that the assumption made in the prior report of the engineer as to the amount of energy manufactured was not high enough. The output in kilowatt hours figured, metered energy from meter books, 393,444, street lights, 32,077, losses at 15 per cent, 63,796. This supplied a total of 489,112 kilowatt hours generated. The total operating expenses of the Nebraska Gas & Electric Co. as reported by the engineer was \$35,432.00. The total receipts outside of a number of minimum charges was that of \$35,435.00. In conclusion after the comparing of the figures of the present company and the municipal plant projected Mr. Bruce recommended that the rates of the Nebraska Gas & Electric Co. be accepted including that of the offer of the company to install service where less than one-half block extension is made for the service and over that the company to receive the cost of construction of the extension and which cost shall be repaid later to the patron in rebates on charges for service.

On motion of Councilman Schuhof the matter was referred back to the light committee to get busy and prepare an ordinance and contract with the Nebraska Gas & Electric Co.

Mayor Johnson then announced the appointment of Dr. O. Sandin as fire chief for 1922 and which was approved by the council by a unanimous vote.

Some little discussion as to the police question was indulged in by the members of the council when Councilman Howe asked who was to keep the home fires burning during the winter if the whole force was on duty during the night and no one in the daytime. The matter was finally settled by a motion of Lindeman that the police committee go around and see if the merchants were willing to help out on the payment of another man for the night force so that the chief could be on in the daytime and this was adopted.

The finance committee recommended the following bills that were ordered paid and then the show was closed for the night:

Neb. Gas & Elec. Co., street lights	\$221.25
Alvin Jones, salary	50.00
H. J. Chandler, same	60.00
M. Archer, same	30.00
G. L. York, street work	14.40
G. Stout, same	10.80
John Maurer, same	10.80
E. J. Weyrich, chemical man.	5.00
D. K. Ebersole, truck driver.	15.00
Weyrich & Habraba, mdse. to city	42.37
Platts Water Co., fountain service	18.00
A. H. Duxbury, stamps	3.65
Lincoln Tel. Co., rent	5.40
Nat. Union fire insurance Co., policy	51.92
Neb. Gas & Elec. Co. light city hall	4.58
C. M. Parker, work city	19.70
Dave Pickrel, taxi service	1.75
E. J. Richey, mdse. to city	1.90
John Iverson, repairs	1.50

MARRIED AT THE MANSE

On Sunday at the home of Rev. and Mrs. H. G. McClusky occurred the marriage of George L. McClusky of Rome, N. Y., and Mrs. Augusta Crego, of Westville, N. Y. The groom is a brother of Rev. McClusky and the bridal couple came west to have the nuptials performed by the minister brother, Mr. and Mrs. McClusky departed for the west where they will enjoy a honeymoon.

STRAYED

Strayed from my pasture, southwest of Cedar Creek, one light red milky steer. Weight about 450 or 500 lbs. Anyone seeing same please take up and notify—A. O. AULT, Cedar Creek, Neb.

CONSOLIDATION OF LOCAL BANKS TODAY

THE PLATTSMOUTH STATE BANK TAKES OVER INTERESTS OF BANK OF CASS COUNTY

From Tuesday's Daily.

This afternoon there was consummated the transaction by which this city gains a bank with assets of some \$900,000 when the Plattsmouth State Bank took over the interests of the Bank of Cass County and henceforth the consolidated business will be handled from the Plattsmouth State Bank.

All the depositors or other persons having business with the Bank of Cass County can transact their affairs at the headquarters of the consolidated banks, that of the Plattsmouth State Bank.

The change is one that will make the greatest advantage to the patrons of both of the banks and the handling of the business affairs will continue at the location of the Plattsmouth State Bank as usual and those who have checks or other business with the Bank of Cass County will find their interests looked after in the most accommodating manner at the new location.

Henry A. Schneider, cashier of the Plattsmouth State Bank and one of the best known banking men of the state will be cashier of the consolidated banks and in charge of the affairs.

In accordance with the provisions of the state banking laws, J. E. Hart, secretary of the state banking board, took charge of the affairs of the Bank of Cass County this afternoon and E. E. Brodie of Omaha will probably be appointed as receiver until the affairs are closed up.

PLEASANT BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

From Tuesday's Daily.

Last evening the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pace was the scene of a most pleasant gathering in honor of the twelfth birthday anniversary of their daughter, Miss Fern. A number of the friends and neighbors and the school friends of the guest of honor were invited and enjoyed the time most delightfully. The evening was spent in music and games and at a suitable hour dainty refreshments added their part to making it a most delightful event. In honor of the occasion Miss Fern received a number of very handsome gifts. Those in attendance were: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spangler and Nettie and Homer Spangler, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hargison and Pearl, Opal and Clifton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Goodman and Chas. Miss Emily Stava, Fern, Vern, Mildred and Sheldon Smith, Mrs. H. T. Patton, Miss Nora Baughman, Glen Spidell of Pacific Junction, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pace and children, Lucille, Buelah, Frank and Fern.

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Whether your banking requirements are large or small you will find a friendly welcome here.

You will find our facilities equal to every need; our officers and staff equal to every trust.

You will find painstaking service that warrants appreciation; policies and resources that inspire confidence.

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