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## RECEIVER IS NAMED FOR THE DOVEY STORE

**JOHN F. GORDER NAMED SATURDAY IN DISTRICT COURT TO LIQUIDATE BUSINESS.**

From Monday's Daily.  
Saturday afternoon before Judge Begley was heard the matter of the appointment of a receiver for the firm of E. G. Dovey & Son, to facilitate the closing up of the affairs of the firm, the settlement of its accounts and a general adjustment of the business.

The application was made on the initiative of the parties interested and is the outcome of a long series of litigations that have tended to shake the interests of this store which was for many years one of the leading establishments of its kind in the state.

The court, after hearing the motion for the appointment of a receiver, received the suggestions of the parties interested as to whom they felt would act as receiver and make a successful liquidation of the affairs of the store and after deliberation, Judge Begley appointed John F. Gorder to the position of receiver for the interests of the store and fixed the bond in the sum of \$20,000.

The firm of E. G. Dovey & Son is the oldest business establishment in the city and was started here in the year 1863 when E. G. Dovey arrived from the south where he had made his home for a number of years after migrating from England and the firm was at first known as Dovey & Amison, later Mr. Dovey taking over the interests of his partner. Later Mr. Dovey took as a partner in the store, George E. Dovey, his eldest son, and following the death of the father in England in 1881, the store interest was managed by George E. Dovey and the two other sons, Oliver C. and H. N. Dovey, as well as their mother, Mrs. Jane A. Dovey, up until 1909 when Oliver Dovey retired from the firm and later in 1916, H. N. Dovey filed an action to dissolve the partnership of the store, and which is still pending in court. During all these years, Mr. George E. Dovey has been in the active management of the store.

This firm has one of the largest store buildings in the city, having a three front building in one of the best business locations of the city and have been known as one of the largest commercial institutions of the community.

The newly appointed receiver will have charge of the collecting of all accounts due the firm and will also have charge of the sale of the stock of goods now on hand in the store, but there will be no more merchandise secured and the stock disposed of as rapidly as possible in order to liquidate the business and permit a final settlement of the affairs.

## MUSICAL COMEDY SHOW SPONSORED BY THE LEGION

"In Hot Tamale Land" to be Presented at Parmele April 19-20.—Percy Field to Direct.

There is promised to the amusement loving public of the city a real treat on April 19th and 20th, when the musical comedy "In Hot Tamale Land," will be presented under the auspices of the American Legion post at the Parmele theatre.

Percy H. Field, who has been director of a number of very successful home talent plays, will be in charge of the production and will also have a part in the tuneful mixture of fun and frolic. The cast will include a number of the talented musical artists in the city among whom will be Edna Marshall Eaton, Mrs. Catherine Dovey Pater, Mrs. James T. Begley, Harry W. Smith, John T. Lyon, Dave Pickrel, Frank T. Marshall, Raymond Cook and Mrs. John T. Lyon.

The chorus will be both tuneful and attractive as the gentleman and ladies selected will add very much to the beauty and charm of the production.

## YOUNG PEOPLE WEDDED

From Monday's Daily.  
Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Foster enjoyed a visit over the week end from their daughter, Mrs. Hugh O'Donnell and husband, who came down to spend a short time with the members of the family, the first visit with the home folks since their wedding.

Miss Helen Foster and Dr. Hugh O'Donnell were married at Papillion on February 21st and their wedding came as the culmination of a time the bride was training as a nurse at the Lord Lister hospital in Omaha, where the groom is one of the staff physicians. The young people are making their home in the metropolis and their many friends here are joining in wishing them the most complete happiness in the years to come.

Blank Books at the Journal Office.

## DRAWS DOWN FINE

From Monday's Daily.  
This morning Ervin Barnard was arraigned before Judge A. J. Beeson acting police magistrate, on the charge of having struck his wife, Kathryn Barnard, during a family altercation and as the result was handed out a fine of \$10 and costs which were settled and the young man released. The trouble arose over a dispute over the children of the defendant and their care by the complaining witness it is stated.

## OLD JOHN BARLEYCORN GETS ON RAMPAGE SUNDAY

Result Is City Coffers Have Several Large Sums Deposited Therein by Law Violators.

From Monday's Daily.  
The flowing bowl seems to have slopped over in this locality Saturday night and Sunday and as the result, the city bastille as well as the county jail were filled with an assorted array of those who were brought in to recuperate from their fling in the fields of revelry and wine, woman and song.

Ralph and John Piper and a lady companion, who claimed Nebraska City as their residence, were picked up last evening while returning from Omaha and at the time were decidedly under the influence of the drink that cheers and inebriates and on being taken into custody were conveyed to the city jail to await trial. The woman in the case was allowed to go and hid herself southward on the midnight Missouri Pacific. This morning before Judge Beeson, acting police magistrate, Judge Piper was handed a fine of \$100 and costs and Ralph Piper, \$10, which they are arranging to settle and expect to shake the dust of this peaceful city from their feet ere the setting of another sun.

Walter Burke, who was found by the police in the possession of intoxicating liquor, was given a jolt of \$100 and costs by the court.  
Another of the callers at the temple of justice was Alonzo Hackenbush, who was charged with being in a state of intoxication and as the result received a fine of \$10 and costs, which he settled and was allowed to go on his way rejoicing.

## TOO MUCH BOOZE LEADS TO AUTO MISHAP SUNDAY

Party from South Omaha Goes Into Ditch Near Platte River Bridge and Draw Down Fines.

From Monday's Daily.  
A party of autoists from the South Side, Omaha, filled with the famous extract of corn juice, met with hard luck a short distance east of the Platte river wagon bridge approach, where they ran their car into the ditch and also had much difficulty in navigating themselves.

As the car ran into the small ditch on the side of the roadway, the members of the party got out of the car safely but found that they were not in the best of condition for navigating themselves and in fact one member of the party getting into the ditch floundered around in the mud for some time until the authorities called from Plattsmouth arrived and straightened out the unsteady members of the party and brought them on into the city.

This morning August Netzel, who was the driver of the car, received a fine of \$50 and costs for driving a car while under the influence of liquor and John Netzel and Frank Veat each received a fine of \$10 and costs in the county court before Judge Allen J. Beeson.

## CELEBRATES EIGHTIETH BIRTHDAY YESTERDAY

From Monday's Daily.  
Yesterday the pleasant country home of Uncle Ben Beckman, in the vicinity of Murray was the scene of a jolly gathering of the old friends and neighbors to assist him in the proper observance of the passing of the eightieth milestone on the highway of life. The day was spent in visiting and extending to Uncle Ben many good wishes for his future years.

At a suitable hour a fine luncheon was served by the family to which all did ample justice and which served to complete the day of happiness and pleasure.  
Among those who attended the event were B. J. Augustine and family and B. J. Augustine, Jr., and family, of Omaha; W. D. Wheeler and wife and Percy Wheeler; William Sporer and wife and a large number of the other close neighbors and relatives.

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## BID WELCOME TO NEW CITIZENS OF UNITED STATES

Fontenelle Chapter of D. A. R. Present New Citizens With Manual of United States.

From Monday's Daily.  
This morning in the district court, which held the hearings on the applications for citizenship before Judge James T. Begley and some thirty-three applicants for the honors of citizenship were present when the court convened.

For the first time the citizens were greeted by one of the strict American organizations, the Daughters of the American Revolution, the members of Fontenelle chapter of this city being present to bid the newly adopted citizens welcome to the ranks of the American citizenship.

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"I have the honor to represent the society of the American Revolution, and in the name of that society, welcome you as an American citizen. We bid you share the privileges of our great country for which so many men have fought and died; in order that we might enjoy the liberty and freedom which their lives have purchased for us. The Fontenelle chapter wished to find a suitable gift to present to you as a testimony of its friendship, and we have secured the Manual of the United States published by the national society of the Daughters of the American Revolution. On the fly leaf you will find inscribed America's creed, the creed of liberty, love and unity, and may the sentiment thereon inscribed, be the means from which you may draw the inspiration to have in your life the true spirit of American love for independence, liberty and protection of right. In the name of the Daughters of Liberty, love and unity, we bid you to each of you a copy of the manual."

At the conclusion of the remarks Judge Begley expressed his appreciation of the spirit shown by the ladies and the applicants were given one of the manuals.  
Among those making their application were: John Sass, Louisville; Hans Emile Franke, Cedar Creek; Charles W. Hula, city; Joe Schmaeder, Jr., Louisville; Philip Fleming, Manley; Nels Anderson, Nehawka; Joseph and Alois Bierl, Gray; Martin Sogren, Louisville; Henry Kehne, Manley; William F. Everth, Eagle; Fred Trunkenboltz, Eagle; Diedrich Kirchoff, Alfred L. Marshall, Weeping Water; Conrad W. Johnson, Murray; Henry Peter Johnson, Peter Johnson, Greenwood; Adolph Steinkamp, Herman Dall, Manley; Charles E. Gradoville, city; John Edward Johnson, Weeping Water; Wilhelm Mann, South Bend; Onke William Fischer, Elmwood; Charles Engelke, Weeping Water; Carl M. Stander, Greenwood; Henry F. Elsemann, Louisville; Geo. Olson, South Bend; Frederick W. Brandt, Nehawka; G. M. Borjeson, Weeping Water; Carl Olaf Pehrson, Avoca; Edward Brubacher, city.

## ENTERS LEGISLATIVE RACE

From Monday's Daily.  
The Saturday filings for public office includes that of Troy L. Davis, mayor of Weeping Water, who seeks the republican nomination as representative from the sixth representative district. Mr. Davis is a member of one of the prominent families of the central portion of the county and has been very successful in his private life and feels that he would be equally as capable of looking after the framing of the laws for himself and his fellow citizens.  
The position to which Mr. Davis aspires is at present held by Hon. H. K. Frantz of Eagle, who was one of the active figures in the last legislative session. Whether or not Mr. Frantz will be a candidate or not has not been given out but it is thought that he has little desire for the office owing to his extensive business interests.

## DEATH OF AGED LADY

From Tuesday's Daily.  
The death of Mrs. Miranda Peck, one of the aged residents of Cass county, occurred Sunday evening at the home of her grandson, Edward E. Leach, and family at Union, where Mrs. Peck has been residing since the death of her husband, Ellis Peck, some two years ago. She was born April 9, 1840, in Ohio, and was for a great many years a resident of near Elmwood. She leaves one son, Charles Peck of Elmwood, one daughter, Mrs. Virginia Parley, one daughter, Mrs. G. W. Leach, preceded the mother in death a number of years ago. The funeral was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Christian church conducted by the Rev. W. A. Taylor and the interment was made at the Elmwood cemetery where the husband is buried.

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After a conference of the parties interested, it was decided to let the matter of the removal of the children rest and an application for divorce was filed by Mrs. Warner against her husband and the facts being heard and the agreement of the defendant, the decree was granted and the children allowed to remain with the mother and the father restrained from visiting the family in the future. The case has attracted a great deal of attention in the locality where the parties reside and relatives of the wife and mother have promised to do what is possible to assist her in the care of the children.

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## VISITS THE JOURNAL

From Monday's Daily.  
Henry Kehne of near Manley and J. C. Spangler of the Louisville neighborhood were here today and while here were callers at the Journal office to have their subscription renewed. Mr. Kehne is feeling in the best of health and much improved since his last visit to this city which will be very pleasing news to his many friends in the city and vicinity.

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Saturday afternoon the pleasant home of Mrs. J. V. Hatt on Vine street was the scene of a most delightful gathering when Mrs. Hatt entertained in honor of the eleventh birthday of her daughter, Elizabeth. The event was in the nature of a surprise and the little folks assembled at the party library under the charge of Mrs. F. R. Gobelman and from there proceeded to the Hatt home, arriving during the absence of Miss Elizabeth and on her return greeted her with a very pleasing surprise. The home had been arranged with the green of St. Patrick's day and the very pretty setting for the scene. During the afternoon games of all kinds were played with Mrs. Gobelman supervising the pastimes and also a short program of musical numbers was given by the young folks that proved a pleasing feature of the day. At a suitable hour a dainty two-course luncheon was served by Mrs. Hatt assisted by Mrs. Frank M. Bester and the chief feature of which was a fine birthday cake with its eleven glowing candles. Elizabeth received a number of very pretty gifts in honor of the occasion.

## FUNERAL OF MRS. KEIL

From Monday's Daily.  
The funeral services of Mrs. J. P. Keil were held yesterday afternoon from the St. Paul's Evangelical church where for so many years the deceased lady had been a faithful worshiper, and the church was filled to its capacity by a gathering of the old friends and neighbors to pay their tribute to the memory of the good wife, mother and neighbor who had been summoned to her last long rest.

Rev. H. Kottich, pastor of the church, spoke in both German and English, paying a gracious tribute to the life of the departed and her devotion to the teachings of the Scriptures and her gentle and noble character that had endeared her to a large circle of friends. Mrs. E. H. Wescott sang during the service three hymns requested by the family and which were in keeping with the beautiful christian life of the departed lady.

The wealth of floral remembrances were very beautiful and spoke of the feeling of esteem held for the departed lady by her old friends and neighbors.  
At the conclusion of the service the casket was borne to Oak Hill cemetery where it was laid to rest. The six sons of the deceased lady served as pall bearers.

There is no doubt but that the line of school supplies carried by the Journal is the most complete that can be found and embraces everything that the student may need in his or her work.

## TODAY IS ANNIVERSARY OF PENITENTIARY BREAK

Tragedy of Ten Years Ago Recalled Excitement Ran High in Cass County at That Time.

From Tuesday's Daily.  
Ten years ago today, March 14th at 2:15 p. m., three desperate criminals broke through the bars of the Nebraska penitentiary after killing Warden James Delahanty, E. G. Heilmann, usher, and Deputy Warden Henry Wagner. Three days later the trio that went out of the pen into the officers of the law on a Sarpy county road and of the trio but one was returned alive.

Roy Blunt, an innocent farmer, compelled by the bandits to drive them toward Omaha in his farm wagon, was killed in the bar where "Shorty" Gray lost his life. John Dowd killed himself and Charles Morley gave himself up. He was young, married two months, and a farmer living near Meadow.

Charles Morley is still a penitentiary inmate. He has been an inmate since the evening of the day when he engaged officers in battle on the hill road east of Gretna. He was serving a penitentiary term of fifteen years when he broke out of the pen, leaving a trail of bloodshed and desolation behind him. He, alone of the trio that went out of the pen into the snowstorm, into a March blizzard that blocked the roads with six foot drifts, came back alive. The outbreak was the direct cause of six deaths, three at the pen when the break was made and three at the end of the trail, as they tried to follow.

"Shorty" Gray in some manner got possession of three guns and a quantity of nitro-glycerine. Where he got them no one ever found out. The three men, at a given signal, approached the barred doors, blew off the locks after covering the turnkey with their guns and then engaged the warden, his deputy and usher in battle. The officials of the prison were shot down and the prisoners escaped through the front door. Their trail was lost. It afterwards developed that they ran east to the little branch that flows past the pen, finally reaching the dairy farm of Joseph Dickman, not far from the residence of the Catholic bishop.

There they stayed until early the following morning, intimidating the family, answering the telephone calls and commanding everyone to do what they wanted done.

The following morning they forced Lloyd Dickman, a son of the family to drive them in a milk wagon to the street and R. streets in Lincoln. On their way the wagon got stuck in the snowdrifts and the capital city chief of police happened along about that time, helped young Dickman to get his milk wagon out of the drifts, unconscious of the fact that the three men in his entire force was looking for, were in that wagon.

From the Rock Island yards, they made their way along the Rock Island to Murdock, where they robbed a store, got a rifle, fresh ammunition and some food. They were next heard of near South Bend and later at Meadow. They were at or near Meadow when the posse started from Lincoln, headed by Sheriff Gus Hyers. They forced Roy Blunt, a farmer, to take them in his farm wagon along the road leading to Omaha, where they wanted to get. East of Gretna, they were overtaken by the posse and a gun battle followed. Hyers and Chief of Police Briggs leading the attack.

At the Blunt home, after the convicts had learned that Mrs. Blunt had gone to a neighbor's to give the alarm, the trio left the following note:

"To the Posse: We have taken your neighbor for a hostage; if you do not follow us or report the matter, he will not be injured."

Blunt was killed and many to this day believe that he was killed by "Shorty" Gray.

The mystery to this day is: Where did "Shorty" Gray get the guns and the nitro-glycerine?  
Another unsolved question is, of course, who killed Gray and Blunt. Morley and to this, the tenth anniversary of the outbreak, is still in prison. His health is breaking and he has aged greatly.

## DEATH OF ELMER MONROE

From Tuesday's Daily.  
The death of Elmer E. Monroe, former Plattsmouth man, occurred March 4, 1922, at Hyattville, Wyoming, where he has been making his home for the last few years.  
The deceased was born September 4, 1866, in Warren county, Iowa, and came to Plattsmouth, in 1881, and was an employee of the Burlington railroad for about twenty-five years, to 1913 Mr. Monroe moved with his family to Hyattville, Wyoming, being at that time engaged in railroad work at Pacific Junction and since that time he has made his home in the west. He leaves a wife and four children, Mrs. Robert Kennedy, Sidney, Neb.; Mrs. Ruth Stevens, Omaha, Neb.; Leonard and Lilly of Hyattville. He also leaves a father and mother, J. A. Monroe and wife of Plattsmouth, and four sisters, Mrs. R. F. Mayfield, Memphis, Neb.; Mrs. Bert Nicholas, Omaha; Mrs. S. C. Stevens, Bellevue; Mrs. L. G. Sparks, Broadwater, Neb.

## SOME OLD RELICS

The west display window of the C. E. Wescott's Sons' store has a number of very interesting relics on display there that were donated by Mrs. A. D. Asch of near Murray for that purpose. Among these are two papers, one printed in 1789, the year of Washington's first entry into office as president and the other published in Ulster county, New York, in 1800. Another of the old curios is a large rosary worn by one of the early Catholic missionaries as well as a number of other small articles which have a very interesting history.

## SAVES COUNTY A GREAT DEAL OF COURT EXPENSE

Handling of Criminal Cases in Office of County Attorney and Sheriff Cuts Down Expenses.

From Tuesday's Daily.  
The manner in which the criminal docket of the district court was handled at this term of court means the saving of at the very lowest figure, \$2,000 to the taxpayers of the county as had the cases been drawn out through the long process of jury trials there would have been a very heavy expense entailed that would not in the least better served the ends of justice than the efficient manner in which County Attorney A. G. Cole handled his end of the state cases and in which he was ably assisted by Sheriff Quinton and Chief of Police Jones as well as Contable Dettlef. In the case of the young men charged with burglary which was the first case handled yesterday in the district court, the able efforts of the county attorney and sheriff secured a prompt settlement and the long process of three jury trials was avoided and the same in the booze cases that were brought up and disposed of in the county court, saving the time and expense of the trials in the district court. Each day the jury is in service there is a cost of \$100 to the county and with the criminal cases that were handled yesterday this would have run up to at least the \$2,000 mark if not more. While this method does not permit the county authorities making a great display of their efforts in the courts it certainly cuts down the expense of operating the machinery of the law.

At the trial before Judge Begley, he lectured the boys on the offense that they had committed and particularly in the case of James Zaubeck, who had been given lenient treatment at Nebraska City, on the charge of stealing a car and the court reminded him of his promise to go in the straight and narrow path. As it was the second offense for this young man, he was given a sentence of from one to five years in the state penitentiary.

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## RETURNS FROM HOSPITAL

From Tuesday's Daily.  
Mrs. William Wetenkamp, who has for the past three weeks been at the Immanuel hospital in Omaha taking treatment and recovering from the effects of her operation, was able to return home last evening and will spend a few days here with relatives recuperating before going to her country home. Her return has brought great pleasure to the family and friends and they are hopeful that she will continue to show improvement.

Elmer Wetenkamp, who has been at the Immanuel hospital for a long period, is now in such condition that it is thought he will be able to return home the last of the week and feels very much better than he has for a long time.

Advertising is the life of trade.

## YOUNG MEN GET INTO TROUBLE FOR ALLEGED ROBBERY

James Zaubeck Draws a Penitentiary Century—Others Got Off with Three Months in Jail.

From Monday's Daily.  
As an aftermath of the burglarizing of the home of Elmer Wetenkamp on the night of February 17th, this morning three young men, James Zaubeck, Harold Manners and Erman Galloway, were arraigned in the district court on the charge of burglary. The charges preferred against the three men were that they entered the Wetenkamp home and took therefrom a pair of shoes, one army shirt, one coat, one overcoat, two new Goodrich tires and a few other smaller articles, and the value of the goods taken was over \$60. At the time of the burglary there was no one at the Wetenkamp home and the young men stated to the court that they had disposed of the two tires in Omaha for the sum of \$20 and the authorities were able to recover a number of the other articles taken from the persons of the young men.

The story of the burglary was revealed Saturday night when Zaubeck, Manners and a young man named Burke were apprehended with a quantity of liquor in their possession and at the time one of the parties was wearing a shirt taken from the Wetenkamp home and Sheriff Quinton after some questioning discovered the full story of the venture in crime and going to the Galloway home asked Erman for the goods that had been taken from the Wetenkamp home and these were promptly turned over to the sheriff and the young man taken into custody.

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## CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express our appreciation of the sympathy shown to us in the death of our beloved mother, Mrs. J. P. Keil, and for the many beautiful flowers that were given in remembrance of mother. May these friends have the same sympathy shown to them in their hour of sorrow.

THE CHILDREN.

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