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## PLATTSMOUTH TAKES THE FIRST GAME OF SEASON

Meets With Union Team at Union Sunday Afternoon and Carry Off Honors, 9 to 6.

From Monday's Daily  
The curtain was rolled up on the baseball season in these parts yesterday afternoon when Manager Johnnie Wolf and his coits journeyed down to the peaceful little town of Union and engaged the baseball team of that city in nine innings of the national pastime. The attendance was very pleasing as the weather was mild and afforded the fans of Union a chance to shake off the lethargy of the winter season and tune up their voices on the bleachers in rooting for their team.

As is generally the case the Union team is one of the best in the county and has many of the old veterans of the past few seasons in the lineup and who have made the city by the banks of the Weeping Water famous as the home of ball players. For the game yesterday Union had imported a hurler from the Weeping Water team but his work was not of the best and in the pinches he was hit to advantage by the Plattsmouth players.

For the Plattsmouth team William Harvey Mason was sent to the mound by Manager Wolf and released all the pent up energy of the winter in his tossing and kept the Union batters guessing all the way through his five innings in the box and only one run was garnered by the opposition in this time. Joe McCarthy who did the work on the mound in the last four innings did not receive the best of support and while he was not hit effectively a number of errors were committed by the visitors to tally several scores. Both Mason and McCarthy showed up well in their work for the opener of the season.

Eddie Gradoville was the watchdog behind the bat and picked them off in his usual effective manner and aided materially in the showing made for the Platts team. In the hitting department of the game, "Honus Wagner" Newman was the bright outstanding spot as he made a bid for the hall of fame with a home that traveled many miles and added to the dismay of the Union players. Honus also nicked a single to fatten up his batting average for the opening game. At short Sanders did some good work in his initial game and his playing seemed to please the fans very much.

Manager Wolf stated that the team still has need of a number of players and if there are any in the community who have been concealing their ability in this line, they are urged to get out and warm up as the team will be composed of those who make the best showing in the workouts and preliminary games of the season.

## SOIL EXPERTS TO VISIT THIS COUNTY

Representatives of U. S. Department of Agriculture Will Be Here To Look Over Soil.

County Agent L. R. Snipes, who has been in charge of the soil work of the county agricultural bureau, seeking some means by which the washing of the soil might be checked, has received notification that the U. S. department of agriculture at Washington was to have a representative here in the next few days to look over what had been done in the different parts of the county as regards the erosion of the soil and what moving pictures would be taken of the different places where work had been in progress. The department of agriculture is to have a film, "Soil in Nebraska," which they are preparing and in this Cass county will have a part. The excellence of the work of the county bureau has attracted the attention of the federal authorities and this will be preserved in the films for the benefit of other sections of the country. It is a recognition over which Mr. Snipes feels a just pride.

## VISITS WITH RELATIVES

From Monday's Daily.  
Yesterday Mr. and Mrs. Ed Stoner and son, Paul Grasman, and Mrs. George Detloff of Omaha were here where they spent the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Bates, with Abram Rupley, father of Mrs. Stoner, who has been quite poorly. Other members of the family to enjoy the day at the Bates' home were Mr. and Mrs. Hilliard Grassman and daughter, Jacqueline, and Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Short.

## CARD OF THANKS

To the kind neighbors and members of the fire department who did such splendid work in the saving of our home from destruction by fire a few days ago, we desire to return our expression of deepest gratitude. Their earnest and energetic efforts made possible the saving of our home.—Mrs. Nellie Gorder and Family.

## VISITS OLD FRIEND

Saturday afternoon R. A. Bates, publisher of the Journal, enjoyed a visit with one of his old time friends, Mr. W. T. Petersen, who was a resident of Silver City, Iowa, at the time Mr. Bates was residing there and publishing the Times. Mr. Petersen has been living at Red Oak for some time, where he was engaged in business and has lately disposed of his business interests and retired and came to this city from Lincoln, where he spent a few days with his son, who is a student at the University of Nebraska. Mr. Petersen is now planning on going to Ames, Iowa, to make his home in the future. It is needless to say that the visit after the lapse of some twenty years was much enjoyed by the two gentlemen.

## FUNERAL SERVICES OF OLD VETERAN HELD

Last Rites for John Renner Held at A. R. Stokes Home Saturday—Largely Attended.

From Monday's Daily.  
The funeral services of the late John Renner were held on Saturday afternoon at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. R. Stokes, where for a number of years the deceased gentleman had made his home. The home was well filled by the old friends and neighbors who gathered to pay their last tributes of respect to his memory and expressing the general feeling of bereavement that is felt by those who knew Mr. Renner best in his lifetime.

Rev. John Calvert, pastor of the Methodist church, conducted the services and spoke words of comfort to the relatives. It was a touching and inspiring service and was well attended. The services were held at the home of Mrs. A. R. Stokes, where for a number of years the deceased gentleman had made his home.

During the service, Mrs. E. H. Westcott sang three of the songs that had been requested, "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," "Jesus is a Rock in a Weary Land" and "Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross." At the conclusion of the service at the home the body was conveyed to the city cemetery where it was laid to rest in the family lot beside the wife who preceded Mr. Renner in death several years ago. At the grave the G. A. R. burial ritual was observed with Comrades R. B. Windham, T. W. Glenn, Asbury Jacks, John W. Johnson, Ed. Ficht and W. H. Freese conducting the services.

## COMMUNITY CLUB BOOSTERS BUSY

Turn Out Enmasse at Nehawka to Adopt Constitution and Elect Officers for the Year.

From Monday's Daily.  
The second mass meeting held by the boosters for the Nehawka Community club occurred on Friday evening for the purpose of adopting a constitution and electing officers for the ensuing year and the meeting was a great success viewed from every angle. More than 170 persons signed the constitution of the new organization.

The officers selected were R. C. Pollard, president; F. C. Schumaker, E. C. Giles, Arthur Wolph and Mrs. Jean Nutzman, vice presidents; Mrs. R. B. Stone, secretary and E. W. Burby, treasurer. These officials will also constitute the executive committee.

The regular meetings of the club will be held on the second Tuesday of each month. The old residents of the community, namely William Balfour, H. H. Stoll and William Steel, entertained the crowd with solos, duets and trios that proved very enjoyable. Mr. Burby put on a stunt by two of the kindergarten pupils which made a big hit with the crowd.

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend to our kind friends and neighbors our sincere thanks for their aid during the last illness of our beloved father and for also for their beautiful floral offerings, as well as the W. R. C., B. R. C. of A. Plattsmouth local No. 377 Blacksmiths, F. O. E., Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Bach, B. J. Halstead, Mrs. Q. K. Parmele.—The Renner Children.

## HAD HIS CAR STOLEN

William Lugsch of Glenwood parked his Studebaker Special Six car in front of the Rialto theatre in Omaha on Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. When he returned two hours later the car was gone. Investigation showed it was not at the police station. The conclusion naturally was that thieves had taken it. Thus far no clue has been obtained of the missing car.—Glenwood Tribune.

## ANOTHER SUNDAY AUTO MISHAP IS RECORDED

Ford Coupe, Property of an Omaha Traveling Man, Consumed by Fire Near Toll Bridge.

From Monday's Daily.  
Yesterday afternoon a stranger driving a Ford coupe, stopped at the filling station of the Plattsmouth Motor company to secure a fresh supply of gasoline to complete the drive into Omaha and at that time the employes of the motor company called his attention to the fact that the gas line on the car was leaking. The owner decided however that he would not stop, but try and make it on into Omaha to have the repairs made on the car as he was very anxious to reach home by night.

The leak, however, stopped any chance of the coupe reaching home, as the car burst into flames just after passing the Burlington tracks near Oranpton on the way to the Platte river bridge. The car had been doing more or less backfiring the owner reported, and this combined with the leak proved an easy way of starting something.

As soon as the owner of the car found that it was in flames, he alighted and started in an attempt to check the flames by throwing dirt on the blaze and which was not only unsuccessful but brought upon the gentleman even more grief, as during the time he was throwing on the dust and dirt, his large diamond ring slipped off his finger and was lost in the dust of the highway. He offered a reward of \$15 to anyone finding the ring and for several hours the youngsters in that locality were busy searching the road, but without success. To add to his grief, the car owner stated that his insurance on the car had expired just a few days ago and he had not renewed it, so that he has a total loss of the car, as well as the ring, which was worth several hundred dollars.

## E. M. CASSADY IS MADE PRESIDENT

Prominent Iowa Farmer Breeder, of Whiting, Heads Missouri River Farmers' Association.

The Missouri River Farmers' association recently organized, has selected as its president E. M. Cassidy, Whiting, Iowa, one of the progressive farmer-stockmen of the corn belt. The Cassidy properties of several thousand acres at Whiting in the Missouri river bottom represent the best development along the river section. For many years the Cassidy farms have been extensively devoted to cattle breeding and feeding, one of the foremost purebred Hereford herds being maintained there. As much of the Cassidy land is operated by tenants, a system of tenant leases looking to permanency and the building up of the soil's fertility has been worked out and applied with very decided success. The Cassidy leases offer a solution of the tenant problem in this county.

C. H. Andrus, Lincoln, Nebraska, an extensive farmer and cattle breeder of this state was made first vice president; Dr. O. W. Nauman, widely known Shorthorn breeder of Craig, Mo., second vice president and Frank D. Tomson, of Lincoln, for many years prominently identified with the improved livestock interests of the entire country and widely known as a writer on livestock and agricultural matters, secretary-treasurer.

The board of directors is composed of progressive farmers and land owners along the Missouri river section from Yankton, S. D., to Jefferson City, Mo.

## NOW SHOWING IMPROVEMENT

From Monday's Daily.  
Mrs. Ada Bestor, who has been enjoying a visit at Auburn with her aunt and other relatives and friends, and which is located at the hospital in that city suffering from an attack of erysipelas, and the many old friends here will be pleased to learn that she is some better. Mrs. Bestor has been visiting at St. Paul, Minnesota, with her son and family, and returned to pay a visit at Auburn, only to be taken sick in the midst of the visit and which has interfered with her plans somewhat.

## ENTERTAIN THE CHOIR

The choir of the First Presbyterian church was very pleasantly entertained Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Peterson, where the members had been invited for the weekly practice. The work of the musical department of the church having been disposed of by the members the remainder of the evening was spent in games of all kinds at which much amusement was derived and at a suitable hour dainty refreshments were served that completed an event that will long be pleasantly remembered by the members of the choir.

Your ad will carry punch if you write it as a plain "selling talk" instead of trying to fuss it up with frills and exaggerations.

## CANDIDATE FOR SHERIFF

One of the former Plattsmouth men, M. E. Brantner, or "Ed" as he is better known, has made his debut into the political game up in Thurston county where he has been inroad for a number of years past. Ed has filed as a candidate for the democratic nomination for the office of sheriff and those who know can safely vouch for the fact that he is a gentleman well suited for this office. Mr. Brantner is well liked and very popular at present and he is now residing and should make an easy win of the nomination and also the election. He is well qualified in every respect and would be fair and impartial in the discharge of his duties.

## RECEIVES PROMOTION IN LINE OF RAILROAD WORK

Harold G. Streight, Employee of the Burlington for Long Time, is Called to New Position

From Monday's Daily.  
The many friends here of Harold G. Streight, well known as a long time employee of the Burlington, will be pleased to learn of his advancement in his chosen work in the railroad circles. Mr. Streight has just been called to the office of chief clerk to the general storekeeper of the Chicago, Great Western railroad and will have his headquarters at Oelwein, Iowa, where the storekeeper is located. This position is one that brings with it a great deal of responsibility and that this former Plattsmouth young man has been selected for the position is a recognition of his ability along the lines of his chosen work.

Mr. Streight started his railroad career in this city as an employe in the office of the storekeeper for the Burlington at the local shops and received a number of promotions here up to the time that he was sent to Burlington, Iowa, to take over the work in the store department there. He has been at Burlington for three years and his work there has attracted the attention of the Chicago, Great Western officials and they at once tendered him the new position.

Mr. Streight receives a very flattering increase in salary in his new work as well as a greater advancement in the responsibilities of the conduct of the store department line of work of the railroad.

## CITY ASKS THAT PARK APPRAISERS BE APPOINTED

City Will Secure Board to Look Over Kroehler Lots and Set Value So Park May Be Had.

From Tuesday's Daily.  
This morning an application was filed in the county court by the city of Plattsmouth in which they ask that a board of appraisers be appointed to look over the Kroehler lots adjoining the city park grounds on Washington avenue, and to set the amount of damages to the lots that may be deemed just and right and which will give the city the right to go ahead and complete the condemnation proceedings necessary to secure the lots for park purposes. Judge Beeson named as the board of appraisers E. H. Westcott, R. E. Windham, Carl Kunsman, John H. Windham, John Hatt, Jr., and Philip Theil.

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Ames, Iowa, population 6,500, owns its electric light and power plant valued at \$221,000, rates for lighting 13 cents, number of consumers 2,250, taxes 5 mills for street lighting, total receipts \$135,034.57, total disbursements, \$99,195.78, leaving a nice profit in the sum of \$35,838.79 for the year 1921.

Reports from Atlantic, New Hampton, Iowa, and Chanute, Kansas, gave similar results.

Mr. L. C. Sharp gave a very interesting report on the Platte river water power proposition. Mr. Sharp said in part:

"This is not a plan for private ownership, but a plan for exploiting the people, but a feasible proposition organized by the Plattsmouth Public Ownership League, operated by the people for the people, and which it is estimated would pay its cost and eventually into the city treasury thirteen cents per kilowatt, five hundred dollars per day paid into the city treasury would help a lot toward paying expenses of every kind, also reduce our taxes to a minimum.

If a California town can pay all its expenses by owning an oil well, why can't we do the same by harnessing a better proposition which is the last waters of the Platte which is wasting itself right at our door. The Plattsmouth Public Ownership League was not organized to exploit the people but assembled for the purpose of bringing to the hands of the people the control of its public utilities upon which the life and comfort of the common people depend and not to have these necessary services rendered somewhere near the real cost of production.

"The Plattsmouth Public Ownership League is devoting its time and energy toward relieving the people of their excessive tax burdens, to build up and beautify and make a useful community one that will encourage a greater population, not forgetting our farmer neighbors whose burdens are also heavy.

## MASONS VISIT NEBRASKA CITY

From Wednesday's Daily.  
Yesterday afternoon the officers and staff of Nebraska chapter No. 3 Royal Arch Masons, motored to Plattsmouth Nebraska city where they were the guests of Keystone chapter No. 3. There were some sixteen of the members in the party going to the city and the Plattsmouth staff conferred the Royal Arch degree on six of the candidates of the Nebraska City chapter. The visitors were entertained by the Nebraska City chapter at a 6 o'clock dinner at the Grand hotel and following which the work of conferring the degrees was carried on until late in the evening. Those making the trip with their cars were Luke Wiles, Glenn Perry and Emil Hill.

I think torturing skin eruptions disfigure, annoy, drive one wild. Doan's Ointment is praised for its good work. 60c at all drug stores.

## RECEIVES HEAVY FINE

From Tuesday's Daily.  
Yesterday a complaint was filed in the county court by County Attorney A. G. Cole, against Elmer Wetenkamp charging him with breaking and entering and the defendant waived a preliminary hearing and was brought before Judge Begley where a plea of guilty was entered and the court in view of the circumstances of the case assessed a fine of \$500 and costs instead of the more severe penalty. The defendant was charged with taking tools valued at \$45 which have since been returned to the owner.

## FILES FOR OFFICE OF CO. COMMISSIONER

H. R. Schmidt, For Years Assessor of Elmwood Precinct, a Candidate for Commissioner.

From Tuesday's Daily.  
Yesterday afternoon County Clerk George R. Sayles received the filing of H. R. Schmidt, one of the best known residents of Elmwood precinct, who is entering the race for county commissioner from the third district, and for the republican nomination for that office. Mr. Schmidt has been a lifelong resident of the county and has been assessor of his home precinct for so many years that he has grown to be a most familiar figure in the affairs of that portion of the county. Mr. Schmidt also has a large acquaintance over the county due to his long service to the public and his party friends will be pleased to see that he has tossed his hat into the ring.

## IN SERIOUS CONDITION

From Tuesday's Daily.  
The friends here of James W. Selvers, for many years one of the well known residents of the city, will regret very much to learn that Mr. Selvers is at the hospital in North Platte in very serious condition, as the result of blood poisoning arising from the infection of one of his feet, and which has made necessary the amputation of his limb. Mr. Selvers has been living at Madrid, Nebraska, and it was while there that the infection first appeared in one of his feet and soon the entire lower portion of his leg was affected and made necessary the removal of the aged gentleman to the hospital at North Platte where he has been for the past few weeks. He has suffered great pain and to give him relief it was decided to amputate the leg but the patient has not rallied as hoped for and his condition has kept growing worse until the gravest doubts as to his recovery are entertained.

## GOING TO THE WEST

From Tuesday's Daily.  
Last evening T. H. Pollock departed for a business trip to the west where he will look after a large tract of land that he has near Colorado Springs, Colo. While there he will make arrangements to have a large part of the land broken up and made ready for cultivation and placed in wheat which has proven a great crop in that country. Mr. Pollock will remain in Colorado for about a week or ten days supervising the work on the farm and seeing the virgin soil transformed into bread producing acreage.

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"Mr. McDonald came to Bridgeport in 1913, and was elected as county attorney in the fall of 1914, assuming the duties of the office in January, 1915, since when he has held the office continuously.

"While acting as county attorney he has tried 455 criminal cases, including misdemeanors, and has secured 416 convictions. Thirty-seven persons whom he has prosecuted have been sentenced to the penitentiary in this county.

"He has done an immense amount of legal business for the county, including his appearance before the supreme court and state board of equalization many times, and has conducted numerous civil suits in the various courts on behalf of the county. His record as prosecuting attorney has been a clean one, and his many friends hope to see him promoted to the position of attorney general."

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## Home Grown Money!

There is no money as good as home grown money. Moreover, money which is grown in and around Plattsmouth should be invested right where it was produced.

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