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CASS COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION HAS MEETING TODAY

Committee Appointed to Take Steps to Encourage Better Citizenship Thru Constitution.

From Friday's Daily—
This morning the Cass County Bar association met at the office of County Attorney Joseph A. Capwell with a very pleasant number of the members in attendance.

The meeting was called largely for the purpose of the re-organization of the association of the county and also to join in the movement that has been started by the state and national organizations to promote the study of the constitution of the public schools and the creation of a higher type of citizenship and a deeper regard for the laws of the land.

The association elected the following officers: President, C. E. Tefft, Weeping Water; vice presidents, J. A. Capwell, Elmwood, C. L. Graves, Union; secretary, W. G. Kieck, Plattsmouth; treasurer, A. H. Duxbury, Plattsmouth.

The committee appointed by the Cass county bar will co-operate with the associations of Otoe and Sarpy counties and is composed of C. A. Rawls, Judge Allen J. Beeson and A. H. Duxbury. This committee will labor to see that more of the study of the problems of citizenship is found in the public schools and a greater interest taken in the affairs of the state and nation and the preservation of the laws of the land.

BENJAMIN HEMPLE DIES AT HAVELOCK

Passes Away From Effects of Attack of Cancer of Stomach—Resident Here 20 Years.

From Friday's Daily—
Benjamin Hemple, formerly a resident of this city where he was born and reared, passed away this morning at his home in Havelock, following an illness of some duration from cancer of the stomach. Mr. Hemple had been at the St. Elizabeth hospital in Lincoln for several weeks and as his case was one that offered little hope of his recovery by the family, the mother, Mrs. Mary Hemple, of this city, and the sisters, Mrs. Louise Kline, Miss Teresa Hemple being with him at the hour of death as well as the wife and son.

Mr. Hemple was fifty years of age at the time of his death and spent his boyhood and young manhood in Plattsmouth where he had a very large circle of old time friends, and later departed for Havelock where he has made his home for the past twenty years. He was very highly esteemed by all who knew him and his loss is keenly felt by the members of the family and the friends.

He leaves to mourn his death the wife and one son, Myron, who is married and lives in Lincoln, the mother, Mrs. Mary Hemple of this city, three sisters, Mrs. May Hewitt of Greenleaf, Kansas, Mrs. Louise Kline of this city, two brothers, Henry Hemple of Saxe, Oklahoma, and Charles L. Hemple of Omaha.

A REAL HONEYMOON TRIP

On March 19, 1921, Emile Bertette Carroll was married at Marysville, Kansas, to Lillian Pearl Harding. Both of these young people live at Lincoln. They left Lincoln Monday evening, March 17, for Marysville, Kansas. Got stuck in a snow drift about 10 p. m. first day. Stayed until morning in their coupe and went to a farm house for breakfast and were royally treated by the farmer and his family. They plowed thru snow for two days, arrived at Elmwood Thursday evening, March 20, 1924, visiting with his father H. H. Carroll. They left here March 24 for Lincoln accompanied by the groom's father, H. H. Carroll of this place. All three were trapped on the third story by the fire Tuesday morning when the building in which they were rooming caught on fire and by the help of the firemen they got out by means of fire escape on the opposite side of the building from the fire.—Elmwood Leader-Echo.

MOVING AROUND

From Friday's Daily—
A number of the residents of the second ward are engaged in moving around at the opening of the spring season and seeking other locations for the coming summer. The Hal Garnett family which has been living in the Noble property on high school hill, are contemplating moving to either the Henry Brinkman home of the Eastern Star orphanage residence while Mr. Everett Noble and family will move into their own home in the next few days. John H. Toman and family, who have been living in the Brinkman home are to move to the Guehrer property on Locust street, which Mr. Toman has purchased.

DRAWS HEAVY FINE

From Friday's Daily—
John H. Smith and his companion, Gertrude Johnson, who were captured at Elmwood on Wednesday afternoon and brought here by Tom Carroll, deputy state sheriff, and Karl Schmitt, federal agent, were brought to trial late yesterday afternoon before County Judge A. J. Beeson, on a complaint charging Mr. Smith with possession in intoxicating liquors and the transportation of the same and for which he received a fine of \$100 and costs. Gertrude Johnson was also charged with possession of liquor and received a similar fine and costs. The parties were remanded to the custody of Sheriff P. Stewart and placed in the county jail until the fine and costs are settled for.

RETURNS FROM SEVERAL WEEKS IN CALIFORNIA

C. C. Wescott Arrives Home Last Evening and Reports Very Pleasant Visit.

From Thursday's Daily—
Last evening, C. C. Wescott, president of the Plattsmouth Ad club, returned home from a visit of some six weeks at Los Angeles, California, where he spent the time visiting with his mother, Mrs. C. E. Wescott, and enjoying very much the opportunity of being with her for the few weeks that he was able to leave his business interests.

The visit was solely for the purpose of being with the mother and consequently Mr. Wescott did not have the opportunity of doing a great deal of sightseeing over the coast country, and one of the greatest delights of the trip to Mr. Wescott was to find that the mother was doing so nicely after the shock that the death of Mr. Wescott occasioned several months ago.

While on the coast Mr. Wescott had the opportunity of meeting a number of the former residents here, including Uncle Henry Boeck and wife and reports Mr. Boeck as in fine shape and good health but Mrs. Boeck not so well as she had been. He also met Roy McKinney, who is still the same genial young man that he was in the years spent here, E. A. Quinn, Wayne Twitshell, Mrs. Geo. Thomas and sons, Milford Bates and family and was also at the Asher Clark home at the time of the funeral of Mrs. Clark.

Mr. Wescott reports all of the Plattsmouth colony as doing nicely and enjoying life very much in the sunshine of California.

ENTERTAINS FOR THE WESLEYAN STUDENTS

Mrs. J. E. Wiles Hostess at Luncheon in Honor of Young Ladies Here for the Spring Vacation

From Friday's Daily—
The attractive home of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wiles, on Chicago avenue, was the scene of a very pleasant gathering last evening when Mrs. Wiles entertained in honor of Misses Marguerite and Helen Wiles and Murna Wolff, students at the Wesleyan university, who are here to spend their spring vacation.

The interior of the home was aglow with the warm and alluring tint of the color scheme of pink which was carried out in the luncheon and the very handsome appointments, the pink roses being used as a centerpiece on the table and the bright glowing pink candles adding a pleasing touch to the scene. The favors of the evening were of the tiny pink candles and which were at each of the places.

Following the luncheon the young ladies enjoyed the time very pleasantly in games and contests and in which Miss Helen Beeson was awarded the prize as the most skillful.

Those attending the occasion were Miss Helen Beeson, Helen Pfoutz, Alice Louise Wescott, Helen and Edith Parley, Violet Valley, Ruth Tidball, Ruth Shannon, Sarah Reor, Margaret Spangler of Murray, Mary Catherine Wiles and the guests of honor, Misses Marguerite and Helen Wiles and Murna Wolff.

APPEAL FROM THE APPRAISERS

From Friday's Daily—
In the district court today an appeal was filed by J. C. Stroy, guardian of Anna Stroy, incompetent, from the decision of the board of appraisers and the school board of District C-7, located at Murdock, Nebraska. The board of appraisers and the school board recommended that the plaintiffs be awarded \$2,000 damages for the condemnation of some five acres of land for the use as the site of the new consolidated school building. The defendants are asked to pay to the plaintiffs the sum of \$3,500 damages for the property.

The plaintiff is represented in the cause of action by Attorney A. L. Tidd of this city.

Business forms of all kinds printed at the Journal office

STATE OFFICERS GET BOOZE NEAR ELMWOOD, NEBR.

Jack Smith, Giving His Residence as Omaha, Captured at West Cass County Town Yesterday.

From Thursday's Daily—
The state deputies operating out of the office of State Deputy Sheriff Tom Carroll yesterday afternoon made the capture at Elmwood of a man giving the name of Jack Smith and his home as Omaha.

The man was arrested and charged with the illegal possession of liquor and was taken into Lincoln and lodged in jail there to remain until turned over today to Sheriff Stewart and County Attorney Capwell for prosecution for the violation of the state prohibition law.

With the man Smith at the time of his arrest was a lady giving the name of Miss Gertrude Johnson and who also claimed Omaha as the place of her abode.

The officers secured a small amount of liquor from the person of Smith, it is stated.

This afternoon Mr. Carroll and Karl Schmitt, federal agent for violations of the liquor laws, arrived in this city bringing with them Mr. Smith and the lady in the case. They were taken to the court house and turned over to the county attorney for his action. The officers state that the parties have been handling booze for some time and started from Omaha with ten gallons of grain alcohol and when caught at Elmwood had eight gallons in their possession.

The man, J. H. Smith, was at one time a butcher residing at Avoca, it was stated by the state officers.

COLLECTION OF BANK TAX UP AGAIN

Shall County Treasurers Accept the Part Due?—Conference Held to Determine Status.

State Tax Commissioner W. H. Smith and Assistant Attorney General George W. Ayres held a conference Thursday afternoon at the capitol with committee members of the state bankers' association who have filed suits in the federal and state courts at Omaha to prevent Douglas county officials from collecting the tax imposed upon state and national banks for the year 1923.

The committee comprises C. E. Burnham, of Norfolk; W. B. Hughes of Omaha; and E. E. Williams, of Grand Island. Mr. Williams is a state banker and the others are national bankers. They were accompanied by their attorneys, Charles H. Kelsey of Norfolk and W. A. Prince of Grand Island.

The committee of bankers early in the litigation desired to tender 25 per cent of the bank tax due for 1923. Tax Commissioner Smith advised county treasurers not to accept a partial payment. The committee now desires the tax commissioner and attorney general to say whether they believe a county treasurer would be deemed to have waived the balance of the tax if he should accept 25 per cent or whether the treasurer's acceptance of 25 per cent would prejudice the collection of the remainder. Assistant Attorney General Ayres said he is willing to answer both questions by saying "no."

To Stipulate Facts
Before the suits are tried it is likely a stipulation of facts will be agreed to by both sides. Neither side has yet asked for an agreement upon facts. If an agreement can be reached, the litigation may be hastened as the courts will then have little except questions of law to decide.

Attorneys for the state have filed an answer to the suit instituted by national bankers. The state alleges an act of congress legalizes the method of taxation which applies to state and national banks alike in Nebraska, a method that has been used for many years and which was never questioned until 1922, prior to the act of congress which is now relied upon to cure any defect in the state system of bank taxation.

The bankers contend that their shares of capital stock should be assessed as intangible property which is taxed at one-fourth the tax rate imposed upon other property.

The state alleges the new state constitution and the act of congress authorizes the classification of property as it is now classified in Nebraska, with a different tax rate for different classifications.

DAUGHERTY RESIGNS OFFICE

This morning Attorney General Harry M. Daugherty, who has been under fire from the senate investigating committee for the past month, submitted his resignation to President Coolidge, effective at once.

It is claimed that the president's decision to urge the resignation of Mr. Daugherty was based on the conviction that the attorney general could not give disinterested attention to the duties of the office while under the stress of the senate investigations.

ENJOYS PLEASANT LUNCHEON.

From Friday's Daily—
Mrs. W. S. Leete was in Omaha yesterday, where she enjoyed a meeting of the Women's Auxiliary at the home of Mrs. J. B. Jones. The regular session was followed by a luncheon given in honor of Mrs. W. H. Jones, who is leaving Omaha in the near future for Chicago to make her home. At the session the plans were made for the provincial meeting that is to be held in Omaha October 21st to 24th. At the luncheon, Mrs. E. V. Shaylor, Mrs. Philip Potter and the mother of Mrs. J. B. and Mrs. W. H. Jones were in attendance.

Mrs. Leete also met with the Auxiliary at the church of St. Philip the Deacon and addressed a very large meeting there.

SPENDS FORTY-FIVE YEARS WITH BURLINGTON ROAD

Robert H. Patton of This City Has Served That Long With Road At the Local Shops.

From Friday's Daily—
Robert H. Patton of this city is observing the forty-fifth anniversary of his service with the Burlington railroad which is all represented by work in the local shops of the company, and is a real record of service with the Burlington of which he can feel proud.

Mr. Patton entered the service of the company at the age of seventeen years at Plattsmouth in 1879 and was assigned to work as an apprentice in the paint shop which at that time was in charge of Daniel B. Smith as foreman and Fred T. Ramage now one of the business men of the city, as assistant.

At the time that Mr. Patton started work he received the sum of 45 cents per day for his work and was compelled to undergo a most rigid and thorough course of training before he was allowed to enter on his work as a first class painter.

DOING VERY NICELY

From Friday's Daily—
The reports from the Immanuel hospital in Omaha state that Con Gillespie, the errand boy and section boss, who is at the hospital, recovering from a very severe operation, is now doing very nicely and his condition is all that could be expected under the circumstances and that it is hoped that he may soon be able to leave the hospital and return home to this city.

DEATH OF GEORGE J. MAPES AT OMAHA

Had Been Living at Meadow but was on Visit to Son when Taken Sick—Funeral Sunday.

From Saturday's Daily—
The old time friends here of the George J. Mapes family were shocked to learn last evening of the death of Mr. Mapes, which occurred on Thursday night at the home of his son, Walter Mapes, in Omaha, with whom he had been enjoying a visit.

George J. Mapes was a son of Joseph Mapes, a pioneer minister of the United Brethren church and was born in Ohio, September 5, 1860, and spent his youth in that state coming to Nebraska and locating at Plattsmouth in 1879 and was married here in September, 1882, to Mrs. Nora Rainey. The family made their home here up to some eighteen years ago, when they removed to other points and have in the last few years resided on a farm near Meadow, Nebraska. Five children came to bless their lives and one of whom, Jessie Mapes, died some two years ago.

The surviving children are Walter A. Mapes, of Omaha; Charles B. Mapes, of Bethany; Troy Mapes, of Omaha, and Dean Mapes, of Meadow. Mr. Mapes also leaves a half brother and half sister, Tom Mapes, of Helena, Montana, and Miss Margaret Mapes of this city.

The cause of the death was heart failure, and came suddenly and without warning, as Mr. Mapes had left his home Wednesday to go to Omaha to visit and was stricken down there on the day following.

The body will be brought here on Sunday afternoon and the services held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rainey at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Frank Emory Pfoetz.

S. C. ANCONA HATCHING EGGS
\$5 per 100. Duck eggs, \$1 per 13. Baby chickens, any kind, 12 1/2 cents each in 100 lots.

ALVIN RANGE, Plattsmouth.
FOR SALE
White Wyandotte eggs for hatching. Call Plattsmouth exchange 3005. MRS. GEORGE PRIVETT.
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Big line of foot balls at the Book and Stationery Store.

PASSING OF A PIONEER RESIDENT OF CASS COUNTY

Mrs. Lena Conn James of Greenwood Called to Her Last Reward at Her Home March 13.

From Friday's Daily—
Lena Conn James was born in Newcastle, Ind., August 12, 1855, and passed away March 13, 1924, after a long protracted illness.

At an early age she united with the United Brethren church, continuing in that faith until her death. Sister James was an early pioneer of this vicinity, locating with her parents near Greenwood in the year 1870. Among other early settlers was Lyman H. James, who immediately after the close of his service in the Civil war, located in Plattsmouth, in the year 1857. Ten years later in February, 1875, Mr. James and Lena Conn were united in marriage. To this union were born four children—three sons—Guy of Prairie Home, Clyde of Ponce City, Okla., Earl H., who died in infancy, and one daughter, Mrs. Opal Hartsook of Greenwood.

Mrs. James realized the hardships which naturally befell the early settlers—her husband freighting with ox teams across the plain from Plattsmouth to Denver and Salt Lake City and they together labored to prepare the country for others who should follow in their pathway.

Mrs. James leaves to mourn the absence of her kindly face and pleasant smile three children, thirteen grandchildren, one brother, W. M. Conn, Uden, one sister, Mrs. J. J. Abbot, Ashland, and besides a host of sincere and sorrowing friends, who feel their loss but rejoice in the gain they believe to be hers.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. C. A. Park, Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m. at the M. E. church in Greenwood and the body tenderly laid to rest in Greenwood's silent city of the dead.

SKETCH OF LIFE OF PIONEER LADY

Life Story of Mrs. Abigail E. Smith One of the Greatest Interest—Was an Old Resident.

From Saturday's Daily—
Abigail E. Seybolt, daughter of Frederick A. and Fanny Seybolt, was born near Oliveville, a suburb of New York City, October 4, 1832. Her childhood days were spent at that place. She was married to William H. Smith October 4, 1855. Mr. Smith was foreman on the Lackawanna system at Jersey City. They moved westward in 1856, settling at Lacon, Ill., still following railroad work, and later returned to New York that same year.

Mr. Smith came to Nebraska territory in 1857, pre-empting a place near Cedar Creek. He brought his family west in June, 1858, coming as far as St. Louis by rail and then by steamboat up the Missouri river, landing at Plattsmouth.

They found the claim a very lonely place and Mrs. Smith was often badly frightened and annoyed by the Indians, so they traded for the present homestead near Rock Bluff in the late 'Fifties. Mrs. Smith lived in the then flourishing town of Rock Bluffs, while Mr. Smith was engaged in freighting to Denver. After 1861, they built a cabin on the present home site and have since lived here, seeing a wilderness develop into the magnificent country we have today.

Their family consisted of three children: Willard F. Smith, born in Lacon, Ill., November 16, 1856, and who died April 17, 1885; Florence G. Smith, born August 1, 1859, at Rock Bluffs, Nebraska, and who died May 8, 1909, and George S. Smith, the only surviving child, born October 5, 1861, who lives on the old home farm of this pioneer family.

Three grandchildren, W. E. Chalfant, Corning, Kansas; Hazel F. Hendricks and Earle H. Smith, Plattsmouth, together with one great-grandson, Verne Hendricks, Plattsmouth, also survive here.

Mrs. Smith was a member of the Eastern Star lodge at Plattsmouth, probably its oldest member. She took an active interest in all the affairs of the day, especially politics, casting her first vote at the last presidential election. Her span of life, 91 years, 5 months and 17 days, ended March 22, 1924.

SHOWS IMPROVEMENT
Andrew Stohman, the Louisville nurseryman, was in the city today and reports that there is some hope now of saving the leg of his son, LeRoy, who has for the past five months been at the Clarkson hospital in Omaha receiving treatment for the leg which was badly infected. The infection of the bone has been very severe and caused the patient a great deal of suffering and at one time was thought that the only relief would be amputation, but in the past week there was some hope entertained that it might be possible to save the leg.

DEATH OF MRS. KLINGER

From Friday's Daily—
This morning, Mrs. George Klinger, Sr., who was stricken with a paralytic stroke at her home here on Tuesday afternoon, passed away at the family home in the south part of the city, having failed to rally from the effects of the stroke and never regained consciousness.

Mrs. Klinger is one of the old residents of the city and her death will be sincerely regretted by the many old time friends among whom she has spent the greater part of her eighty year life.

The husband and father preceded Mrs. Klinger in death and to mourn her passing there remain two sons, George, Jr., and Henry G. Klinger of a church of Elmwood and the membership thereof are the defendants.

The petition of the plaintiff alleges that the plaintiff is a duly authorized corporation under the laws of the state of Nebraska and has the government and authority over branch churches of the synod organized in the state and that the defendant German Lutheran church of Elmwood was a part of the church organization under the control of the synod. It is further stated that in 1915 the German Lutheran church, the defendants, changed the name of their church to the English Lutheran church and that on September 5, 1920, the members of the church congregation voted to discontinue services and have not since that time acted as an active church.

The plaintiff asks that the court order the right and title to Lot 1, Block 7, in the village of Elmwood be vested in the plaintiff synod and that the members of the congregation of the former church at Elmwood are willing that the synod have the title and possession of the real estate.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. C. A. Park, Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m. at the M. E. church in Greenwood and the body tenderly laid to rest in Greenwood's silent city of the dead.

CHURCH SYNOD SEEKS POSSESSION OF PROPERTY

Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska ask Possession of Property at Elmwood.

From Thursday's Daily—
An action has been filed in the district court in which the Evangelical Lutheran synod of Nebraska is the plaintiff and the German Lutheran church of Elmwood and the membership thereof are the defendants.

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REASSURING WORD FROM LA FOLLETTE

Wisconsin Senator Has Pneumonia, But Physician in Attendance Says Condition Good.

Washington, March 27.—Reassuring advices were given out tonight at the residence of Senator LaFollette of Wisconsin, who is ill with pneumonia. A few hours earlier Dr. C. C. Marbury, the attending physician, had stated that the senator had passed a very comfortable day and the word that he had settled down to sleep with apparently good prospects of a quiet rest.

Notwithstanding the issuing of a bulletin this morning announcing that Senator LaFollette had contracted pneumonia it was stated that today was the first of the past two weeks in which he had not developed a temperature.

For the last ten days Senator LaFollette has remained in bed upon the advice of Dr. Marbury who considered a complete rest essential. It was not until yesterday, however, that his condition was considered as anything more serious than a persistent cold. The consultation of physicians followed.

PLATTSMOUTH SCHOOLS IN COMMERCIAL CONTEST

Delegation From Local High School Will Compete in Contest to be Held at Peru.

From Thursday's Daily—
The commercial contest, which is to be held throughout the state March 28 promises to be a great event this year. The state is divided into seven districts. The winners in the district will then compete for state honors at the state meeting, which will be held some time during April.

The district contests will be held in the following places: District No. 1, Lincoln; No. 2, Peru; No. 3, Norfolk; No. 4, Hastings; No. 5, McCook; No. 6, Alliance; No. 7, Schuyler.

Contests will be held in shorthand, typewriting, spelling and penmanship. Miss Marie E. Kaufmann, supervisor in our local schools, has charge of all penmanship throughout the state.

Those taking part from the Plattsmouth schools are: Beginning shorthand—Pearl Hild, Ruth Patton, Elsie Nelson. Advanced shorthand—Beatrice Herring, Elizabeth, Sitzman, Dorothy Sattler. Beginning typewriting—Pearl Hild, Helen Westcott, Ruth Patton. Advanced typewriting—Gerald Fleming, Bernard Meisinger, Elizabeth Sitzman. Penmanship—Edna Klinger, Helen Westcott, Louise Rummell. Spelling—Edward Waintroub.

Miss Hartley, commercial teacher here, will assist in correcting shorthand papers, and Miss Kaufmann will preside over the penmanship work in this district. The contest will begin tomorrow morning at 8:30 and our pupils leave for Peru this afternoon over the Missouri Pacific.

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To You Who Have Come to Make Our Town Your Town!

To all who are this year taking up their residence in or near Plattsmouth, the First National Bank wants to be among the first to extend a sincere welcome.

We ask you to drop in not only when you need dependable banking service, but whenever there's anything we can do to help you get settled or to make you feel at home in your new community.

Our right hand is extended to you cordially.

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