

# The Plattsmouth Journal

## CLASS OF 1924 GRADUATES AT HIGH SCHOOL

### THIRTY-SEVEN IN CLASS WHO STEP FROM SCHOOL LIFE TO FACE WORLD.

## CHANCELLOR AVERY SPEAKER

### Twenty-Seven Girls and Ten Boys in Class—Katherine Harris the Honor Student.

From Friday's Daily—

Last evening at the auditorium of the high school was held the graduating exercises of Plattsmouth High school in which the members of the class of 1924 faced one of the most interesting periods in their lives, one of pardonable pride at the successful completion of the thirteen years of school work, and one of regret at the separation that the classmates feel when the doors of the school close behind them for the last time and the happy days and pleasant associations of childhood and youth become but a cherished memory.

This class had at its entrance into high school seventy boys and girls but only thirty-seven were present last evening to receive their diplomas on the completion of the high school courses, twenty-seven young women and ten young men comprising the class.

The exercises opened at 8 o'clock when the professional was played by Miss Estelle Baird, one of the members of the faculty, and to which the gray-gowned students entered the auditorium and marched to their seats on the platform for the last participation as a class of Plattsmouth high school.

The invocation was offered by the Rev. Frank E. Pfoutz of the First Methodist church as the class and the audience.

The first number on the program was the whistling solo by Miss Alice Louise Wescott, president of the class, who gave as her selections, "Come, For It's June" and "A Dream" given in the usual pleasing manner of this gifted young lady. The accompaniment was played by E. H. Wescott.

The salutatory was given by Herman Tiekotter, who in a few remarks expressed the appreciation of the class for the opportunities that had been their good fortune to have in the way of educational advantages and for the help and assistance received from their instructors and the citizens of the community that had provided the means of their receiving their education.

The valedictory was by Miss Katherine Harris who showed ability in her short address by making the subject of "Success," holding out to the members of the class the opportunities for service that the future might hold in giving the community and the world a real service.

Two of the members of the class, Henry Leacock and Miss Edith Yelick, gave a very pleasing duet, "The Gypsy Trail," that was very much enjoyed and gave the young people an opportunity of showing their excellent musical training.

Superintendent G. E. DeWalt expressed the pleasure of the school and the city of having as the speaker of the evening Chancellor Samuel Avery of the University of Nebraska and presented the head of the leading educational institution of the state to the audience.

In his remarks, Chancellor Avery opened with the recalling of the fact that it was at Plattsmouth that he first set foot on Nebraska soil 50 years ago and made the crossing here on a transfer boat to take up his life as a citizen of Nebraska where he has since made his home. The speaker then recalled the great events in the way of material advancement that had been made in the world and the nation in the time since he came to this state, taking up first the development of the illumination means from the tallow dip of the early days to the electric light of today; the growth of the transportation means of the nation from the small, and at this day the seemingly insignificant railroad service that was in use in portions of the country and when men only extended to the hours; Mr. Avery also touched on the improvement in the fifty years of the lines of communication from the crude telegraph first in vogue through the work of the telephone to the modern day when the radio as a means of communication was fast forging to

the front. The wonderful work in the lines of medical discoveries, the removal of the terrors of diphtheria, the elimination of the yellow fever plague by the medical men of the nation and which had made it possible for the United States to construct the Panama canal where other countries had failed because medical skill had made the country safe and sanitary for the white race to work and live in. All of these triumphs had been possible, the chancellor stated, because of the advancing standards of education, better teaching and better methods that were given in the years as the race advanced. The student of today learned more rapidly and thoroughly the problems than in the pioneer days when the educational systems were more crude and confined to merely the elementary branches of knowledge that did not give the opportunity of the expansion of the educational system.

Chancellor Avery stated that the future was a challenge to the young people of today that the fifty years to come might bring even more wonderful strides in the advancement of the race. However great the material and physical advantages had been advanced the past fifty years had not, the speaker stated, produced the great trend forward in the moral and spiritual life that it should. He recalled the fact that almost fifty years ago a great scandal was unearthed in the heart of the federal government at Washington which was similar to that which had just been uncovered and which indicated that the moral spirit had not risen to the heights that other lines of discovery and invention had gone. It was the city of the next fifty years to see the fruits of the moral righteousness be aroused that these conditions should be made impossible of repetition. Another of the phrases touched upon was the fact that the race had not made the steps toward an international peace that it should and that wars still caused the taking of life and the lessening of the moral sense of the people of the world and which was one of the problems that the future years must deal with in order to give the world a release from the burdens of war and strife.

To illustrate the trend toward revenge that had existed for hundreds of years, the speaker cited the constant warfare that has marked the history of the Germans and the French. Mr. Avery urged that the nations of the earth put out war as they had human slavery and the feeling of working in a state of servitude for hundreds of years. What mattered the material progress if the world lost its vision of the moral and spiritual life.

In closing, Mr. Avery urged the young people of the class to retain the friendship formed in school, to lend by their friendship the assistance to each other in the battle of life and not to envy but to be proud of the success of a classmate in his or her life in the future years.

President of the Board of Education Earl S. Davis, in a few very able remarks, presented the diplomas to the following members of the class:

Freda Klinger, Anna Peoples, George Ebersole, Ruth Shannon, Edward Waltroub, Blanche Scotten, Rose Donat, George Schmidtmann, Hazel Davis, Mabel Sullivan, Henry Leacock, Florence Thacker, Marie Hutchison, Mabel Howard, Leora Parke, Louise Parratt, Sarah Rector, Dorothy Sattler, Clara Miller, Katherine Harris, Augusta Kruger, Alice Pak, Alice Louise Wescott, Beatrice Herring, Gladys Tuene, Hazel Clugy, Helen Ledgeway, Bernard Meisner, Elizabeth Hallis, Herman Tiekotter, Elizabeth Sitzman, Gerald Fleming, Edith Yelick, Richard Hartley, Elizabeth Wadick, Russell Wasley, James Holly.

Mrs. William Baird, recent of Fountelle chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, then presented the cash prize offered for the highest ranking student in American history in the school which this year had resulted in two of the young people being tied for the honor and two prizes were given, Herman Tiekotter and Miss Anna Peoples being those who stood the highest in their rank in the school.

The closing number of the program was the flute solo of Miss Mabel Howard, one of the members of the class, who gave as her selection "The Heart Bow'd Down" from "The Bohemian Girl," and her rendition of the number was very pleasing and showed a great deal of feeling and artistic touch.

The benediction was offered by Rev. Pfoutz and with this the commencement of 1924 had passed into history and the class entered on their new life separated from the school associations. The members of the class gave their farewell yell from the platform at the members of the party broke away for their departure homeward.

### States Father Has Not Left the Hospital in Omaha Yet

From Thursday's Daily—

Mr. and Mrs. John Pettys, the latter being formerly Edna Marshall Eaton of this city, motored down last evening for a few hours' visit at the home of Mrs. Pettys' mother, Mrs. C. A. Marshall and while here they stated that Dr. Marshall had not been moved from the hospital yet as had been planned, but that it was decided to leave him there for a time until he was able to return to his home in this city.

## BELLEVUE GUESTS HAD FINE TIME HERE LAST NIGHT

### Entertainment at Coates Hall and Feed at Legion Club Rooms Were Well Attended.

From Friday's Daily—

The Bellevue American Legion post composed almost entirely of disabled world war veterans came to Plattsmouth last night in large numbers for the avowed purpose of having a good time. Did they have it? Before they left they declared they sure did, and in view of the pleasurable evening, the home town boys can be reasonably sure they weren't "spoofing" them any about the matter.

Through courtesy of T. H. Pollock a "free" bridge was secured for the Bellevue cars, both ways. Upon their arrival in the early part of the evening they were escorted to Coates hall, which had been secured for the social gathering and there fun and hilarity reigned supreme for a good long time. Among the interesting events was the Parlor Polo, played by kiddy kar riders and the monologue sketch of our own Harold Ericson, manager of the baseball team, and a loyal member of the local Legion post.

At little after ten o'clock dancing was begun and continued until fully 12:30 with some of the late hour keepers clamoring for more. Punch was served in the Eagles club room adjoining the dance floor and everyone enjoyed themselves in spectators.

Music was furnished by the Holly orchestra which donated its services to the Legion and was fully up to the standard set by this musical organization.

Around the witching hour of 11, the word was passed that a luncheon at the Legion club rooms was ready and to "come and get it." While it had been intended to serve only Legion members and their wives, the invitation was extended to local guests at the entertainment as well, and many enjoyed the hospitality of the ladies of the American Legion Auxiliary, who had bounteous supplies of ground meat and cheese sandwiches, pickles, cake and coffee.

The luncheon was served plate style and proved a real treat to everyone after the strenuous exercise of dancing.

The only thing to mar the pleasure of the evening was the rain that burst forth about midnight and continued throughout the greater part of the night. A number of the Bellevue cars were well on their way home by that time, but the occupants of those that were not doubtless had their pleasure marred slightly by having to get out and put on their claims in the rain.

Commander Holly staved off the rain for some little time with his vigorous singing of "It Ain't a Goin' to Rain No More," but when he was forced to quit for lack of breath, the clouds burst forth copiously and then there was no stopping the downpour.

### Death of Old Resident of Cass County in So. Dakota

From Friday's Daily—

The announcement has been received here of the death of Mrs. Mattheu Wilkin, which occurred on May 13th at Chance, South Dakota, where the family have resided for the greater part of the time since moving from Plattsmouth some fifteen years ago.

The cause of the death was heart trouble and the passing of this estimable lady brings a real sense of sorrow to the old friends here who knew Miss Wilkin so well in the years that the family resided here. Mrs. Wilkin is survived by her two sons, John and Henry Wilkin, of Chance, and the funeral services were held there and the body laid to rest beside that of the husband and her son, Charles and daughter, Clara, who have preceded her in death several years ago.

### Ladies Auxiliary of Presbyterian Church Meets

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Presbyterian church held a very pleasant meeting at the church parlors yesterday afternoon which was very largely devoted to the business of the society as well as visiting and a general good time. At an appropriate hour the hostesses, Mesdames George R. Sayles, Wilf F. Wurga and C. D. Quinton served very suitable refreshments of coffee and cake which in view of the chilly weather was most appropriate to the occasion.

## Mark All Old Soldiers' Graves in Oak Hill

From Thursday's Daily—

Yesterday afternoon Thomas Wiles who is a member of the Cass county soldiers' commission, was out at Oak Hill cemetery arranging the markings at the graves of the veterans of the Civil war.

The G. A. R. had appropriated \$20 for the securing of markers for the graves of the veterans that did not have government markers and it was found by Mr. Wiles that there were some twenty-five of these graves in Oak Hill.

They are all marked now and in readiness for decoration day and its remembrance of the fallen heroes of the nation. The action of the Grand Army is certainly a most commendable one and shows the proper spirit in looking after the last resting places of their fallen comrades.

## PARENTS STOP HERE WHILE SEARCH IS MADE FOR THEM

### Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Cole of Marshalltown, Iowa, Spent Tuesday Night Here.

From Thursday's Daily—

The telephone and telephone wires from Marshalltown, Iowa, were busy Tuesday evening in an attempt to locate Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Cole of that city, who had left Marshalltown early Tuesday morning in their auto with the intention of going to Wichita, Kansas.

The messages sent to Omaha where the husband and wife were supposed to have gone to visit at the home of Mrs. John Rowe, 2752 Dodge street, had aroused the police of that city as the messages were confused and gave the impression that the parties were wanted in connection with the shooting of some boy in Iowa, when they were merely the efforts of the Marshalltown authorities to halt Mr. and Mrs. Cole and inform them of the suicide of their son, Dale Cole, aged 24 years, which occurred at his home east of Marshalltown a short time after they had left for Kansas.

Mr. and Mrs. Cole had informed friends that they intended to stop at Omaha en route to Wichita, but had apparently changed their minds and instead had come to Pacific Junction and crossed the Missouri river on the ferry at Pacific Junction on the night of the Main hotel in this city and left early Wednesday morning to enjoy their auto trip on toward the south, unconscious of the tragedy that lurked in their home back in Iowa and the frantic efforts of the local authorities to notify them of the death of their son.

The first announcement that was learned was in the reports in the Omaha afternoon papers and by that time Mr. and Mrs. Cole had been several hours on their way to the south.

## Another Happy Wedding Occurs at Council Bluffs

From Thursday's Daily—

The favorite Gretta Green of this part of the state of Nebraska seems to be in our neighboring city of Council Bluffs, and to that point several of the young people of this county, matrimonially inclined, have wended their way to have their happiness consummated there.

The committee arranging the entertainment was composed of Fred Lugsch, Ed Fricke, W. C. Schaus and Harold M. Holcomb.

### Will Close for the Laying of Infirmary Corner Stone

At the session of the Plattsmouth Ad club yesterday it was decided that the business houses of the city that are affiliated with the Ad club would take recognition of the visit here on June 3rd of Miss Grand lodge of the A. F. & A. M. of Nebraska, by having their places of business closed during the hours from 2 to 5 p. m., so that all can attend the ceremonies that will be held during the laying of the corner stone of the new infirmary building at the Nebraska Masonic Home.

The members of the Ad club with the other citizens of Plattsmouth will join in giving the visiting members of the Masonic fraternity a royal welcome to the city.

## EX-SHERIFF C. D. QUINTON SUES FOR HIS SALARY

### Starts Action in the County Court Against E. P. Stewart, Present Sheriff, For Salary.

From Thursday's Daily—

The county court was the place of filing today of an action in which Carroll D. Quinton is the plaintiff and E. Porter Stewart, the present sheriff of Cass county, is the defendant and covering the salary of sheriff for the months of December and January and jailer fees for these months, which are claimed by the plaintiff as being due to him.

The first paragraph of the petition of the plaintiff alleges that on December 10, 1923, he was duly elected and qualified sheriff of Cass county and entitled to the salary and mileage as such sheriff. It is further alleged that on December 10th the defendant, E. Porter Stewart, intruded and took over the office of the sheriff of Cass county and has since usurped the office.

The plaintiff also in his petition states that the amount of \$110.00 was allowed in a bill filed by E. P. Stewart with the board of county commissioners for the month of December and that also jailer fees of \$23 were claimed by the defendant.

These items of salary and jailer fees are claimed by the plaintiff as being lawfully due him and for which he asks a judgment.

The plaintiff in the second cause of action alleges that for the month of January the defendant, E. Porter Stewart, filed with the board of county commissioners a bill for \$145 as salary and \$46.50 as jailer fees which the plaintiff claims was justly due him.

The plaintiff also states in his petition that he is the jailer of Cass county by virtue of his office and as such is entitled to the fees for the feeding and care of the prisoners.

The case is another of the many claims that have been filed against the allowance of the salary of Mr. E. P. Stewart as sheriff since the time that Mr. Quinton was removed from the office of sheriff of Cass county by Governor Bryan in December, 1923.

C. D. Quinton was indicted by the grand jury that convened here in November, 1923, and was charged with malfeasance in office on an indictment of eight counts as well as one of perjury. On the return of the grand jury the recommendation was made to the governor that he take action to have the office of sheriff vacated and accordingly the matter was taken up by the governor with the representatives of the state and Mr. Quinton and his counsel, and the case of Mr. Quinton was suspended from the office of sheriff of Cass county pending the outcome of the trial and Governor Bryan named E. P. Stewart as the sheriff of the county who took the oath of office and filed the bond as required by law which was accepted by the board of county commissioners.

The trial of Mr. Quinton in January resulted in his acquittal on the counts of protecting bootleggers and law violators and his conviction on six counts of having illegally retained fees and failing to make his report of the fees collected as required by the law of the state. The verdict of the jury of twelve freeholders of the county was followed by the hearing of the motion for a new trial in the district court by Judge Alexander C. Troup, of Omaha.

Mr. Quinton has contended through his counsel that he was entitled to the office until the case was disposed of in the state court, contending that the appeal superseded the sentence and the removal. On the other hand, Judge Troup has notified the governor that it was not his intention to suspend that part of the sentence covering the removal from office in granting the appeal to the supreme court. The case has since been pending in the supreme court with Mr. Stewart serving as the sheriff of the county and Mr. Quinton still occupying the county jail building where he resided since its construction in 1914. Mr. Stewart has had Mrs. Quinton act as the jailor and to look after the feeding of the prisoners pending the settlement of the case.

During this time the board of county commissioners has allowed the salary of Mr. Stewart as sheriff and since the January claim was allowed the claims have been held up by protests, the first being filed by Ralph Haynie and the second, a few days ago, by A. F. Sturm of Nehawka.

George F. Dover and wife, of Chicago, will arrive here tomorrow on No. 15 over the Burlington to spend a short time here visiting with their relatives and friends in this city.

## Hard Labor Coupled with Their Good Time Tuesday

From Thursday's Daily—

The members of the Y. M. E. C. of the Methodist church held their regular meeting Tuesday evening, but instead of the usual "sing," the musical event was to the tune of show-ols instead of piano and the scene of the activity of the class was at the Nebraska Masonic Home, where the boys secured several truck loads of cinders and hauled them to the new driveway just west of the Methodist church where they were unloaded and made into a very fine driveway that will extend from the paving into the garage that has just recently been built on the parsonage grounds.

After their labors the members of the class were invited into the parsonage by Rev. Pfoutz and wife and treated to some very fine refreshments that came most acceptably.

## CASS COUNTY PEOPLE ARE MARRIED IN COUNCIL BLUFFS

### Miss Helen Heil and Mr. Louis Tiekotter Joined in Wedlock in Council Bluffs Yesterday.

From Thursday's Daily—

The wedding of two popular young people of this portion of Cass county occurred yesterday afternoon at Council Bluffs when the lives and hearts of Miss Helen Heil and Mr. Louis Tiekotter were joined as one.

The marriage ceremony occurred at the Lutheran church in the Iowa city and the young bridal couple was attended at the ceremony by Rev. T. L. Hartman, pastor of the church of which the young people are members, and Mrs. Hartman and Mr. and Mrs. Guy Heil.

The young people expect to go to housekeeping at once in the home that the groom has built in this city on West Elm street for the coming of the bride and where they will be at home to their host of friends in the near future.

The bride is the youngest daughter of Mrs. William Heil, one of the residents west of this city, and has grown to womanhood here where she has a large circle of friends and she has been very active in social circles and church activities in her home community for a number of years. The groom is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Tiekotter of this city and is now engaged with his father in the contracting and carpenter work here and is a young man of the highest standing and worth and possesses a very large circle of friends here.

The friends will extend their best wishes to this estimable couple who are to be a part of our community life in the future.

## RECEIVES PLEASANT NEWS

From Friday's Daily—

Louis Ackerman of the Peoples Market of this city today received a very pleasant message from his daughter, residing at Patterson, New Jersey, and announcing the fact of the forthcoming marriage of Miss Ethel Felcher, granddaughter of Mr. Ackerman. The family is one of wealth in Patterson and the marriage will be one of the important social events of the New Jersey city.

## GIVE PICNIC FOR MISS DORTHEA POND THURSDAY

### Members of the Night Classes in Domestic Science Show Appreciation to Instructor.

From Friday's Daily—

Late yesterday afternoon the members of the night school classes in domestic science, both the dinner class and the general work class, held in the picnic given in honor of their instructor, Miss Dorothea Pond, of the High school.

The married ladies of the class invited for the occasion their husbands to join in the pleasant party which was held in the vicinity of the Burlington bridge and was in the nature of a beefsteak roast.

The party on reaching the scene of the picnic arranged their camp fire and over the glowing embers the delicious steaks were prepared and formed the basis of a fine meal, the ladies of the party bringing with them the other duties that entered into the making of a most delightful repast.

While the supper was being disposed of the members of the party joined in expressing their appreciation of the hard work that Miss Pond had given to the success of the night school and of the benefits that they had derived from the training.

Those attending the steak roast were Messrs. and Mesdames J. V. Batt, Frank M. Bestor, D. C. Morgan, Mrs. L. W. Egenberger, Misses Helen Egenberger, Clara and Alice Weylich, Gertrude Morgan, Edith Kelly and Mr. Emil Koukal.

## FORMER SOUTH BEND YOUNG MAN IS KILLED

### Ross Dill, Son of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Dill, Dies From Effects of Accident at Havelock.

From Friday's Daily—

Ross Dill, 35, son of B. F. Dill, prominent retired farmer of South Bend, Neb., was fatally injured Wednesday afternoon in the yards of the Burlington railroad at Havelock, when a derrick he was operating, tipped over, causing him to jump. He fell, fracturing his skull on a railroad rail.

Dill was rushed to Omaha, but died as he was being taken into Immanuel hospital for an operation.

In addition to his parents, Mr. Dill is survived by a widow and three children, residing at Havelock; four sisters, Dottie, Jessie, Eral and Sadie, all of South Bend, and two brothers, Oscar, South Bend, and Willard, Meadow, Neb.

The funeral and burial will take place in Lincoln today.

Robert L. Propst, who has been spending the winter in Florida, arrived home yesterday to look after some business affairs and to visit with his children for a short time before again returning to the southland. His youngest daughter, Miss Roberta, has been attending the high school in Omaha the past term.

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