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MATTERS OF INTEREST ARE TALKED OVER

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETING COVERS MANY IMPORTANT SUBJECTS.

HAPPY 100 SUPPERS AGAIN

Very Successful Winter Gatherings of Men of Community Will Start October 7th.

From Saturday's Daily—

Last evening there was a very pleasing gathering of the business men and citizens at the auditorium of the public library who by their attendance showed more than a passing interest in the welfare of the city and helped to develop some very fine suggestions as to the things that might be accomplished in the community ere the close of the year.

The Missouri Pacific railroad company, with which President Davis has been in correspondence relative to some improvements at the local passenger station on 15th street, reported that it is now preparing to install city water in the depot and would also take up and investigate the proposition of beautifying the grounds of the depot.

Treasurer E. A. Wurl of the Chamber, stated that the strong box of the organization at this time contained \$323 and which report was accepted. The Fourth of July committee submitted its final report with all bills paid and which showed that \$918 had been expended for the entertainment and comfort of the visitors on the celebration day.

President Searl S. Davis made an announcement that was greeted with much approval when he stated that the Happy 100 suppers would again be staged the coming fall and winter with the opening date, Monday, October 7th. Mr. Davis, who was one of the committee last year, was in a position where he could escape a part of the very strenuous labor this year and accordingly named as the committee members, Fred Los of Liberty, Missouri, one of the foremost public speakers of the middle west, was to be the speaker at the opening and which will be a real treat to the Plattsmouth men that attend.

There was some discussion of the gravelling of the road to Oak Hill cemetery and the means and methods that could be employed to expedite the desired result and incidentally the change of the roadway was discussed by the members present. Mayor Sattler stated that he favored having the road run along Locust street under the M. P. viaduct and saving having to cross the tracks on one Oak street which is always more or less a menace to the public and the railroad company as well. Mr. Sattler said in regard to the financing of the proposition that at this time the road fund of the city was very low and could not stand the strain of the city council on voting intersection bonds could go as high as \$10,000 but that on a proposition of the kind similar to the gravelling of the road the bonds would have to be submitted to the vote of the people of the city. William Baird stated that he thought the Missouri Pacific would be glad to co-operate in any way that it could in a road under the viaduct as this would make a better way of travel from the west of the city and for those driving to the cemetery and eliminate to a great extent the danger from wrecks on the grade crossings that were always very dangerous to the railroads and costly as well. It was decided that the secretary of the Chamber of Commerce write Division Superintendent Brown of the Missouri Pacific relative to the matter. On motion it was also decided that the Chamber of Commerce favor having the matter of issuing bonds for the \$5,000 necessary for gravelling the cemetery road placed on the ballot this fall for a vote of the people.

ENTERTAIN BRIDAL PARTY

From Saturday's Daily—
The hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Vroman in the south portion of the city was the scene of a most charming family gathering on Thursday evening, the occasion being in honor of Verdon Vroman, of Chicago, and Miss Marion Mauzy, whose marriage occurred this afternoon. The two families were invited to join in the most delightful dinner party and to add to the pleasantness of the occasion the garden flowers were used in the decorations of the dining room. Following the dinner the members of the party spent the time in visiting with the young people who were the guests of honor.

Those who participated in the event were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mauzy, Mrs. T. J. Todd and son, Henry, of Kearney, Nebraska; Miss Margaret Mauzy, of San Francisco; Miss Marion Mauzy; Mr. Verdon Vroman, of Chicago; Edna Vroman, wife and daughter, Betty Jean; Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Vroman and daughters, Winifred and Donice.

STORE IS BUSY

From Saturday's Daily—
The store has been busy in the south portion of the city in the past week and the birth of a fine little son at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Harris and a daughter at the home of Gayland Straley is reported. The new Americans have brought a great deal of happiness with them and are doing nicely and their advent has brought much admiration from their parents and other relatives.

MARE STRAYED

Strawberry roan mare, strayed from the Davis place south of Plattsmouth. Any word as to whereabouts of mare may be left at Golsbe soft drink parlor, phone 27. One Bohmstedt, owner. a9-1td, 1tw

ROCK BLUFFS ASSOCIATION FORMED AT UNION, NEB.

Some 200 of Former Residents of Old Cass County Town Present at the Reunion.

From Saturday's Daily—
The first day of the Old Settlers' reunion at Union Friday was distinctly a "Home Coming" for the present and former residents of Rock Bluffs, the historic settlement that occupied such a distinctive place in the early history of Nebraska, and there was estimated to be 200 of the Rock Bluffers in attendance at the reunion that had been planned by the committee in charge and the occasion was as great a success as had been hoped for by the promoters.

From the very pleasant reunion, there was formed a Rock Bluffs association that will make the "home coming" an annual event and assist in preserving the memories and associations of the old town that once flourished along the stately Missouri river. To head the new organization Attorney C. L. Graves, of Union, was named as president; Dr. G. H. Gilmore, of Murray, secretary; D. A. Young, Fred Patterson, Mrs. C. A. Rawls, L. P. Fitch and Mrs. J. L. Stamp, as members of the executive committee.

The session yesterday at the reunion grounds saw a very interesting informal program being given, during which time Attorney C. L. Graves of Peru "filled" in real old time manner while Mrs. M. G. Churchhill of Murray was at the piano. Fred Patterson and Attorney C. A. Rawls were both heard in short addresses as was also Dr. G. H. Gilmore, of Murray, who has been one of the boosters of the movement and Dr. Gilmore also read the program written by Mrs. Joel Tishue of Seward, Nebraska, which is given below.

A number of very interesting relics of the old times were shown by D. A. Young, one of the oldest of the pioneer residents of Rock Bluffs locality and which consisted of a copy of a newspaper printed in Rock Bluffs in 1857, a pair of copper tooth shoes worn in childhood by Mr. Young and several other old and treasured trophies of the past.

The program was presided over by J. D. Graves, of Peru and at noon the members of the party enjoyed a fine picnic dinner amid the pleasant surroundings of the grove on the reunion grounds.

The poem and introductory paraphrase of Mrs. Tishue was as follows:
"Old Home Week and family reunions are coming to be frequent occurrences during the vacation months. They entice many of us back to meet with old acquaintances and to look at once familiar things. Old Home week should not be ignored, even though it will have its disappointments and its disillusionments. Though but temporary looking backward and renewal of old acquaintances, the reviewing of youthful dreams and ideals almost forgotten, are as the poet says 'pleasant though mournful to the soul.' But—
The happy days of youth,
That would show again the village school
Where I met blue eyed Ruth,
I would like to see my childhood friends,
From Tommy down to Flo,
Ah, those were jolly, sunny, happy days—
The days of long ago.
'I wish I had a moving picture of the hills I used to slide,
And I would like to see the creek On which I used to glide,
I would like to see the swimming hole;
The ball ground far away,
And I would like to see the funny sights
In the games we used to play.
'I wish I had a moving picture of The well-remembered past,
Those dear old, merry, joyful childhood days
That were too bright to last,
Ah, childhood is fifty years too short;
Too quick the world grows old!
But here is one heart that will ne'er forget
The happy days of old.
'A moving picture of childhood
I wish that I had—
That would show o'er again the scenes
I knew when a lad,
Dear old scenes of the schoolhouse,
The church on the hill,
Picture scenes of old Rock Creek That flowed by the mill.
'Picture scenes of my mother,
My life's truest friend!
Dear old pictures of playmates
I'll miss till life does end.
Happy! Yes, I'd be happy
Once more to behold
Moving pictures of childhood—
My childhood of old."
—Mrs. Joel Tishue.

LEAVES FOR A VISIT

From Friday's Daily—
This afternoon Miss Wilhelmina Henrichsen, daughter of Chief of Police and Mrs. William Henrichsen, departed for Omaha where she will join her grandmother, Mrs. L. Jipp, and accompany her to Stockton, Kansas, to visit there with Mrs. A. C. Hammond, sister of Mrs. William Henrichsen, and from Kansas they will go to Colorado Springs, where the Hammonds have a summer cottage. They will spend a couple of weeks there and Wilhelmina will return here in time for school.

SUFFERS CUT HAND

Louis Leiner, the well known farmer, residing on the cemetery road west of the city, is wearing his left hand in a bandage and the hand was cutting one of the pieces that he was holding with his left hand the head of the hatchet caught on the board and was deflected and with the result that a gash was cut quite deep in the hand and made necessary the attention of a surgeon to close up the injury.

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WHEAT YIELD NEAR MURDOCK

The wheat that is being threshed out in the vicinity of Murdock is showing some great results and shows that the farmers of Cass county have a cause to feel well pleased with the fine crop that they have been blessed with this season and have promise of some real returns for their year's work. Among the farmers reporting the result of their crops these are some very fine yields and which are given below:

Chris A. Kupke, seven acres made an average of 52 bushels and the rest of the crop averaged 34 bushels to the acre.
Henry Schlopp, sixty acres with an average of 42 bushels.
Gus Wendt, one of the best known farmers of that community, had 80 acres showing a yield of 36 bushels.
Herman Kupke, thirty acres, yield, 40 bushels to the acre.
Henry Gakemeier, sixteen acres, showing 45 bushels to the acre.
Paul Schewe, with thirty acres shows a yield of 32 bushels to the acre.
Ferdinand and Henry Rieckmann on 120 acres of their farms report from 39 to 45 bushels per acre.

SERIOUS AUTO ACCIDENT OCCURS NEAR UNION, NEB.

Party of Topeka, Kansas, Tourists Have Car Turned Over on the Highway Near Union.

From Friday's Daily—
Yesterday afternoon shortly after 3 o'clock a very serious accident occurred on the federal highway north of Union near the northeast corner of the farm of Charles Garrison and which resulted in the serious injury of Attorney Page of Topeka, Kansas, and his wife and young daughter. Of the party the wife was the most seriously injured and grave fears of her recovery are entertained.

From the accounts of the accident it seems that the party traveling in a Buick sedan were on route from their home to Lake Okoboji, Iowa, and had a very pleasant trip on their journey until they suddenly came on a truck driving along the highway near the Garrison farm and the sedan attempted to pass the truck and while the driver was swerving the car out to pass around the truck the steering gear refused to respond to the driver and the car was hurled off to the roadside into a ditch and turned completely over and almost demolishing the car and burying the Page family in the shattered wreck.

At first it was feared that Mrs. Page would have some knowledge of the crime and search for them is being made by the Otce and Cass county authorities.

DEATH OF LEW MEYERS, PIONEER HERE

Death Follows Long Illness at Swedish Mission Hospital at Omaha From Infected Limb.

From Friday's Daily—
Last night at the Swedish Mission hospital at Omaha where he has been for some months past, occurred the death of Lew Meyers, old resident of Plattsmouth and Cedar Creek and one of the best known men in this portion of Cass county. Death followed an illness of some duration and was caused by an infection in one of the lower limbs that led to gangrene and spreading through his system made his recovery impossible.

Mr. Meyers was seventy-one years of age and had spent the greater part of his lifetime in the northeastern portion of Cass county, as a young man being employed in the office of his stepfather, Dr. J. L. McCrea, a dentist, and later entering the employ of O. P. Johnson in a drug store and also with the drug store of C. H. Smith.

In later years Mr. Meyers moved to Cedar Creek and some thirty-five years ago was first engaged in the drug store at that place and remaining there until a few years ago when ill health made it necessary for him to lay aside his cares of business and since that time he has been gradually falling in health.

Mr. Meyers was twice married, his first wife, Mrs. Moran, being a sister of C. C. Deepain of this city and who passed away many years ago. Later he was married to Mrs. Frey, who passed away last winter at the home in Cedar Creek. Mr. Meyers is survived by eight step children.

The body will be taken to Cedar Creek direct from Omaha and the services will be held at the Cedar Creek church Sunday and the burial be held at the Glendale cemetery.

Mrs. Fred G. Morgan was among the passengers this morning on the early Burlington train for Omaha to spend a few hours visiting with friends there.

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RAILROAD CONDITIONS ASSUMING A BETTER TONE

Freight Business on the Burlington Taking on a Very Fine Increase the Last Week.

The general expansion of business in the central west due to the moving of crops, the fine yield of the wheat fields of Kansas, Nebraska and the Dakotas and the mounting prices that the farmer is receiving for all of the products of the farm is being reflected in the increase in the business of the railroads of the west and the increase has been as sudden as was the decline last fall and winter.

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