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CAMPAIGN FOR BETTER LIGHTING OF HOMES BEGUN

Employees of Nebraska Gas & Electric Company Enjoy a Dinner Party and Meeting.

From Tuesday's Daily—
As the opening gun in the Better Home Lighting campaign that is being launched over the nation, the employees of the Nebraska Gas & Electric Company enjoyed a very pleasant and profitable evening in a general get-together meeting last night.

The members of the office force of the company here as well as the linemen and salesmen of the company were entertained at the Royal Cafe at 6:30 at a most delightful dinner party which was presided over by C. J. Theelen, manager of the local company.

The plan was explained very thoroughly by George C. Advers of Omaha, of the Grand Electric Co., who in the brief time that he had at his disposal made very clear the purposes of this educational campaign which is to be brought into every section of the nation.

The Better Home Lighting campaign and contest is being pushed by the lighting educational committee, composed of representatives of the leading electrical companies of the electrical lighting industry. The purpose of the committee is to secure the operation of a better home lighting activity nationwide and educational in nature.

The purpose of the campaign is not one of selfish motives as the companies feel that there is need of educational efforts to learn the public the proper use of lights to secure the best service and which will give the best result, as in most of the homes that are lit by electricity there is ample light but not properly placed to give the best results and that defective lighting causes a great deal of eye strain to the American people and to eradicate this is one of the prime moves of the campaign.

In each of the local communities there will be prizes offered for essays prepared by the school children and the best of these will be sent to the national contest where the grand prize, a \$15,000 electrical home, will be awarded, and this prize home will be erected on any site provided by the prize winner.

HUNTING SEASON OPENS WITH A BIG BANG TODAY

Lovers of the Sport of Duck Hunting Are Out Early in Pursuit of the Elusive Fowls.

From Tuesday's Daily—
The sound of heavy firing off in the east this morning alarmed the early risers with the thoughts that perhaps the Chinese war had been transferred to our midst and many of the service men who had been at the front in the late unpleasantness made for the cellar where they sought shelter from the bombardment that was opening.

The cause of the firing was soon ascertained when it was learned that the official hunting season of 1924 was being opened up and the local hunters were out in force and from the noise that rolled up from the river front the slaughter seemed to be heavy but whether of ducks or hunters was not learned. Chief of Police William Hinrichsen took advantage of the opening of the season to grab his faithful weapon and start riverward another of the hunting parties comprised of Bruce Rosenkrans and Bob Walling, who arose at an early hour and with visions of many flocks of ducks leading them on, wended their way over to the Missouri river to lay in wait when the first light of day arrived, for the ducks that might be stirring at that early hour.

The season for squirrels, plover, ducks and geese is now now open and those who enjoy this line of sport will sure have a real treat for the rest of the season. The prairie chicken season will open October 1st, and other game later. Those who would hunt have been busy securing licenses at the office of County Clerk George R. Sayles, as the law has set a price on this sport.

CIVIL GOVERNMENT IS COSTLY

From Monday's Daily—
The expense of supporting a United States Army will continue to make militant an unpopular policy of government. Yet our standing army, national guard and reserve corps costs in taxes the ridiculously small sum of \$2.20 per capita annually. In other words there are one and a quarter soldiers for each thousand of our population. Less than a day's average salary per capita will support the military forces of the nation.

Quite on the other hand the great army of civil officers, presidents, governors, mayors, justices of peace, road overseers, government clerks, etc., require the American tax payer to work one day of every twelve for their support. Civil government, rather than the military, is making for heavy tax burdens.

SERIOUS AUTO ACCIDENT OCCURS HERE SATURDAY

Coupe Driven by Iowa Parties Crash Into Ford Touring Car of Murray Man.

From Monday's Daily—
Late Saturday night a very serious auto accident occurred just at the foot of McConkey Hill on South Chicago avenue and while there was no one injured to any extent the two cars were very badly damaged in the mix up.

The first intimation of the wreck occurred when a passing motorist came on into the city and notified Constable Tom Svoboda of the accident and with Chief of Police Hinrichsen hastened out to the scene of the auto accident. Here the officers found the cars over in the ditch and while the coupe had been coming over there was a pane of glass broken in the car altho the whole front of the car was badly damaged in the head on collision.

The accident as far as could be ascertained occurred when the Ford coupe occupied by two men from Iowa, coming north on the left hand side of the road while the touring car containing a young man named Burrows, of near Murray, with his wife and children were going south on the road, and as Mr. Burrows states going at a reasonable rate of speed when the car coming from the south was traveling at a very fast gait and on the wrong side of the road. Mr. Burrows supposing the approaching car would swing over into its proper place found out to late that the two cars were heading for a crash.

The men were brought on in by the officers and placed in the city jail until yesterday when they were turned over to County Attorney J. A. Capwell. The men from Iowa gave the names of Floyd Finnell and John Bunker and yesterday afternoon they were released under bonds of \$500 for their appearance on next Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

County Attorney Capwell filed a complaint in the court of Justice William Weber charging Finnell, the owner of the coupe with possession of intoxicating liquors and transportation of liquor and Bunker also with possession.

At the time the men were brought in by Mr. Svoboda and Chief Hinrichsen it was claimed that they were intoxicated.

While the cars were smashed up to a greater or less extent it is very fortunate that none of the occupants were injured to any extent aside from being bruised and shaken up when the two cars came together head on.

A WORD OF APPRECIATION

The H. M. Soennichsen company wishes to publicly thank all its friends for their generous words of praise and for the many kind expressions conveyed to us on Saturday, the formal opening of our new store. We wish to assure our business associates and our friends that the furtherance of Plattsmouth's best interests always has been and always will be a slogan of this firm.

We are especially appreciative of the beautiful flowers sent to us by our neighbors, Messrs. E. A. Wurl, F. R. Gobelman, S. S. Chase, Weylich & Hadraba, Jess F. Warga, Ladies Torgery, C. L. Heger, A. M. Arries and E. Wescott's Sons; for the beautiful bouquet sent us by the Bates Book Store, the Journal office, to the Nebraska Gas & Electric company for their beautiful flowers and cordial well wishes, and to the M. E. Smith & Company for their assistance and beautiful flowers.

THE H. M. SOENNICHSEN CO.

APPOINTED GAME WARDEN

From Monday's Daily—
W. B. Dale, formerly a resident of near Nehawka and has been in the employ of the Burlington in the local shops, has just received notice of his appointment as deputy game warden. Mr. Dale occupied a similar position here in the fall of 1923.

Charles C. Parmele was here overnight visiting with friends, returning this morning to Omaha.

DEATH COMES TO MRS. MARGARET BANICK SUNDAY

Old Time Resident of This County Passed Away Sunday at Home of Her Daughter.

From Monday's Daily—
Following a paralytic stroke three weeks ago, Mrs. Margaret Banick passed away Sunday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Puls in the north portion of the city. The death was not unexpected as Mrs. Banick has been gradually sinking in the last few days.

Mrs. Banick was a native of Germany and was in her seventy-sixth year at the time of death and for a great many years was a resident of this city and in the vicinity of Murray and has many old time friends who will sincerely mourn her passing. The family moved from Cass county some twenty years ago to Coleridge, Nebraska, where they have since resided. The husband, Detrich Banick, passed away at Coleridge last winter and since that time the wife and mother has been making her home with the children and since last spring has been here with the Puls family.

The estimable lady is survived by four children, Fred and Louis Banick and Mrs. Merritt Jorgensen of Coleridge and Mrs. William H. Puls of this city as well as a number of grandchildren. Hans Seiver of this city is a nephew of the deceased lady.

This morning a short funeral service was held at 11 o'clock at the Puls home and the body taken by auto hearse to Omaha accompanied by the members of the family and from there will go by train to Coleridge, Nebraska, where they have since resided. The late home where services will be held and the body laid to rest beside that of the husband in the cemetery at Coleridge.

Card of Thanks

We take this means of expressing our deepest appreciation of the many acts of kindness shown to our beloved mother in her last illness and to all those who assisted in the funeral service and for the beautiful floral remembrances.—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Puls and Family; Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Jorgensen; Fred Banick and Family; Louis Banick and Family.

HOLD VERY PLEASANT SERVICES AT THE CHURCH SUNDAY

Two Quite Notable Gatherings Here Held at M. E. Church Here Yesterday.

From Monday's Daily—
Yesterday at the morning services at the Methodist church, the last of the conference year, the members of the congregation were treated to a very able discourse by the pastor, the Rev. Frank Emory Pfoutz, which was his last message before leaving for the conference which opens at Omaha Wednesday and will run over until Tuesday of next week.

The subject was taken from the words of St. Paul, "I was not disobedient unto the heavenly wisdom," and those who were present were held to the closest attention by the force and beauty of the sermon and while the church has had many very able sermons delivered within its walls, those who were present felt that it was one of the very best that they had the privilege of listening to.

The return of Rev. Pfoutz has been requested by the local church of the conference, but the matter is one upon which the conference and the presiding bishop will exercise their best judgment and with the well known reputation of the ability of Rev. Pfoutz the church here will be most fortunate if it is able to retain him, although no effort will be spared to try and have the bishop heed the request of the local church.

At the evening services, yesterday, Mr. Corwin Taylor, member of the foreign activities of the church, was present and gave a most interesting account of his fifteen years of labor in the mission field in Korea and from his abundant experience he gave many interesting points of the Christian mission work among the people and the ability of Rev. Pfoutz faith in this little known land. While in this city, Mr. Taylor was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Hayes.

Miss Cook of Kansas City, a guest here, was also heard in a very pleasing vocal solo.

LEAVE HOSPITAL

From Tuesday's Daily—
Mrs. A. H. Duxbury and little daughter, who have been at the Methodist hospital in Omaha have gained strength so that they were able to leave the hospital and go to the home of Mrs. Chris Metzger, an aunt of Mrs. Duxbury where they will remain for a short time and as soon as possible will come on to this city where little Miss Duxbury will have her introduction to her future home.

SUFFERING FROM HEART TROUBLE

From Tuesday's Daily—
The many friends of Mrs. W. F. Clark will regret very much to learn that Mrs. Clark is quite ill at her home at Seventh and Elm streets, following an attack of heart trouble and her condition has been such as to give her family a great deal of apprehension. Mrs. Clark is quite active in the work of the Christian church and her illness is regretted by the associates in the church work.

ROAD APPROPRIATIONS AND THE FEDERAL TAXES

States That Do Not Avail Themselves of the Appropriations Do Not Lessen the Taxes Any.

On a recent date an article entitled "One-Sided Tax Affair" was published in one of the state papers which shows that in 1923 Nebraska paid into the federal treasury over \$11,000,000 and received in return from the federal government about \$1,000,000.

On the face of it it would appear to be a "one-sided tax affair." On the other hand, it is not supposed that taxes will be returned to the state, or to the individual, in dollars and cents. Were that the case it would be useless for government to go to the expense of collecting it. Taxes are collected to raise revenue to run the government's business, whether be federal, state, county or municipality.

"Of the \$1,000,000 a year received from the federal government, \$750,000 is for road work," thus continues the article. If Nebraska did not accept this \$750,000 for road work Nebraska's share of federal taxes would not be reduced on that account, for the law provides that if a state does not accept its quota that amount will be reportioned among the other states. It is very important then that Nebraska accept all the federal aid for roads available.

The law makes the federal aid to the states come from "WEU" pays it. In the first place, it is all appropriated out of the federal treasury by congress. It is collected by the federal government as internal revenue, customs duties and miscellaneous.

The last complete figures at hand show that of the total receipts to the federal treasury, Nebraska pays a fraction more than fifty-two hundredths of one per cent, or a trifle more than half a cent of each dollar collected.

The distribution of federal aid for roads is made on the basis of one-third in proportion to the population, one-third in proportion to the area, and one-third in proportion to the number of miles of mail routes. On this basis Nebraska receives two and sixteen-hundredths per cent after about two and four-tenths per cent is deducted by the Federal Bureau of Roads for administrative purposes. Or, out of each dollar paid to all the states as federal aid for roads Nebraska receives a little more than two cents.

For 1924 congress appropriated \$20,000,000 for federal aid for roads. Of this amount Nebraska's quota is \$1,056,126. Of this \$50,000,000 Nebraska paid into the federal treasury, fifty-two hundredths of one per cent, or about \$260,000. By dividing the amount received by the state \$1,056,126, by the amount the state paid into the federal aid road fund, \$260,000, we find that Nebraska receives more than \$4 for each dollar paid by the state.

FUNERAL OF MRS. ALWIN

From Monday's Daily—
The funeral services of the late Mrs. John Alwin were held yesterday afternoon at the home in the south portion of the city and was very largely attended by friends and neighbors. The Rev. Walter R. Robb of the First Christian church of which the deceased lady had been a member, conducted the services and spoke words of comfort to the bereaved husband and the children who have been bereft of the care of the mother. During the services Mrs. E. H. Wescott sang "Beautiful Land" and the mixed quartet composed of B. A. McElwain, Mrs. Minnie Pickard, Mrs. Hal Garnett and Frank A. Claid sang two numbers, "No More There" and "Abide With Me." The pall bearers were selected from among the members of the M. D. A. of the local shops and at the conclusion of the services the body was born to Oak Hill cemetery where it was laid to the last long rest.

LEAVES FOR NEW MEXICO

From Monday's Daily—
This evening, D. M. Graves, the oldest resident of Plattsmouth, departed for Rosewell, New Mexico, where he goes to spend the winter with his sister who resides at Rosewell. Mr. Graves has lived here in Plattsmouth since 1856 when as a lad he came to this city and has been a part of the community life since that time. He will have the Journal accompany him to New Mexico to keep in touch with the happenings here.

GIVES SHOWER FOR BRIDE OF THE FALL SEASON SATURDAY

Mrs. E. H. Wescott Entertains Saturday Afternoon in Honor of Miss Florence Balsler.

From Monday's Daily—
Saturday afternoon, "Sunnyside," the attractive Wescott home on High School Hill, was the scene of a very pleasant gathering of ladies, the occasion being the miscellaneous shower given by Mrs. E. H. Wescott in honor of Miss Florence Balsler, whose marriage to Mr. Lester Dalton of Edgar, Nebraska, is to occur in the early fall.

The home was very attractively arranged with the garden flowers and made a bright and pleasing setting for the very pleasurable occasion.

During the afternoon, each of the guests was requested to prepare and read a verse that would be fitting to the bride and groom and in this Mrs. W. R. Holmes proved the most successful and was awarded the prize. Adding to the enjoyment of the occasion, Miss Cook, of Kansas City, who is here as a guest of her sister, Mrs. Harry Schultz, afforded the company a number of musical selections.

At a suitable hour the guest of honor was presented with a number of beautiful remembrances from the friends that she will cherish as tokens of their affection.

The hostesses served very dainty and delicious refreshments at the close of the occasion that added to the pleasure of those in attendance.

The invited guests were: Messrs. James R. Dalton, Carl Dalton of Lincoln, Willis R. Holmes, Philip Balsler, Edgar Roman, Clarence Balsler, of Omaha, E. G. Duxbury, Will Heirich, C. C. Wescott, Misses: Mrs. Dalton, Omaha; Miss Cook, Kansas City; Ruth Roman, Florence Cecil, Pauline Liston, Geraldine Liston, Eleanor Burnie, Helen Wescott.

EXPECT EIGHT HUNDRED AT THE M. E. ANNUAL MEETING

Pastor to Receive Appointment—Mergers of Nebraska District Contemplated.

From Monday's Daily—
Nearly 8 hundred ministers, superintendents and laymen are expected to attend the Nebraska annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal church which opens its sessions here September 17, for seven days with headquarters at the First Methodist church, Twentieth and Davenport streets.

The Rev. Bishop Titus Lowe will preside at the sessions. Each morning and afternoon during the conference the bishop will meet with his ambassadors at the hotel Conant for the consideration of appointments to pastorates throughout the Nebraska district.

Important matters to be discussed by the conference are proposals to bring the twelve Northwest Nebraska conference parties in to the Nebraska conference making the entire state in to one district and ways and means of fostering Methodism throughout the state.

A conference of the laymen of the church will be held Thursday September 18, at the Central United Presbyterian church. Bishop Frederick T. Keeney who will preside at the Des Moines district annual conference held at Clarinda, Ia., at the same time will be unable to attend. A quintet of five Omaha pastors the Rev. Arthur Atack, pianist; the Rev. E. M. Brown, first tenor; the Rev. Arthur Adams, second tenor; the Rev. F. C. Mills, first bass; and Rev. M. Allen Keith, second bass; will furnish music for the devotional exercises at the conference each morning.

PLATTSMOUTH PRECINCT REPUBLICANS NOTICE

The republicans of Plattsmouth precinct will meet at the usual voting place on Friday evening at 8 o'clock for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for precinct assessor, road overseer, constable and justice of the peace.

A. A. WETENKAMP, sif-3td-1tw Committee.

Otto Triletly left this morning for Lincoln where he will enter the state university to resume his studies at the university.

Buy your school supplies at the Bates Book and Gift Shop, where you will find the big line at the right price.

SECRETARY OF STATE HERE

From Tuesday's Daily—
This morning, Secretary of State Charles W. Pool, motored down from Lincoln in company with William H. Smith, state tax commissioner, and spent a short time here visiting with his many old time friends while Mr. Smith was meeting with the Cass county commissioners and discussing the tax questions. Mr. Pool is the democratic candidate for re-election to the office of secretary of state, and holds several records in the office as he is the first democrat who was ever elected to the office in the history of the state and also had the record democratic majority in the state as he won in 1916 by 29,000 and in last election by some 20,000, and feels well pleased with the favors the people of the state conferred upon him.

A FORMER UNION GIRL IS MARRIED IN IOWA MONDAY

Margaret Witherow Is Wedded to Armond L. Naviaux of Nebraska City at Woodbine Iowa.

From Tuesday's Daily—
Miss Margaret Witherow, of Plattsmouth, and Armond Naviaux, of Nebraska City, were united in marriage this morning at Woodbine, Ia., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Manion, uncle and aunt of the groom. The wedding came as a distinct surprise to friends of the couple here.

Allyn Naviaux, brother of the groom, served as groomsmen. Other relatives of the groom who attended were his sisters, Misses Mary Ellen, Virginia and Harriet Naviaux, Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Naviaux, parents of the groom, were unable to attend, the latter because of illness. The near relatives of the bride were present. Immediately after the ceremony, a wedding dinner was served at the Manion home. Mrs. Manion formerly made her home in this city with Dr. and Mrs. Naviaux.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Witherow, the former publisher of the Plattsmouth News. They formerly lived at Thurman and Woodbine, Ia. She attended the University of Nebraska, where she became a member of the Alpha Delta Pi society. Later she attended the Iowa state teachers college, at Iowa City, Ia., for two years. She taught at the Second avenue school in this city two years ago and last year was an instructor in the intermediate grades at St. Bernard's academy.

The groom is the eldest son of Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Naviaux. He was graduated from the Nebraska City high school with the class of 1922 and later attended the college of dentistry at Creighton university, Omaha. He will resume his studies there this fall and has two more years to complete. He will make his home in an apartment in Omaha.—Nebraska City News.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the many friends for the kindness shown us during the brief illness and death of our beloved wife and mother. Also for the beautiful floral offerings.—John Alwin and Family.

Journal went to press Tuesday

QUINTON CASE ON TRIAL BEFORE THE SUPREME COURT

Matter of Motion to Dismiss Appeal On Grounds of Failure to File Writ Not Passed On.

From Tuesday's Daily—
The appeal in the case of the state of Nebraska vs. Carl D. Quinton, which was taken to the high court by Mr. Quinton following his conviction in the district court here in Cass county on charges of malfeasance in office, was occupying the attention of the supreme court at Lincoln today.

The motion was offered yesterday by County Attorney J. A. Capwell of Cass county to dismiss the appeal on the grounds of the defendant not having secured writ of error to have the case taken to the high court. Paul Jessen of Nebraska City, representing the defendant, claimed that under special provisions of the statutes, a writ of error was not necessary in misdemeanor cases. The court has taken no action on the motion this morning and the appeal was being heard this afternoon.

The court, it is thought, will not allow the motion to prevent the case being heard on its merits and the matter will be presented to the body of the court by the attorneys. The state is represented by Assistant Attorney General Lloyd Dort while the defendant is represented by Paul Jessen and D. W. Livingston of Nebraska City and A. L. Tidd of Plattsmouth.

DEATH OF RESIDENT OF MASONIC HOME OCCURS YESTERDAY

Louis F. Clossman Passed Away at the Home Last Evening Following a Short Illness

From Tuesday's Daily—
Last evening at the Nebraska Masonic Home occurred the death of Louis F. Clossman, one of the aged residents here, the deceased having been in failing health for some time past. Mr. Clossman was seventy-two years of age and before coming to Plattsmouth on February 14, 1924, was a resident of Sidney, Nebraska, but with his advancing years and failing health it was found necessary for him to come to the home where he could receive constant attention. Mr. Clossman was a member of Frank Welch lodge No. 75, A. F. & A. M., of Sidney, joining there some years ago.

The deceased leaves four children to mourn his death, one of whom, E. J. Clossman, of Sidney, was here at the bedside of the father at the time of his death and will take the body back to the old home for interment.

Mrs. Charles Swanson and son, Carl, and daughter, Miss Besette, Guy Clear and the little granddaughter of Mrs. Swanson, motored over from Hamburg, Iowa, Sunday for a few hours visit here with Herbert Swanson.

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