

The Plattsmouth Journal

Art Exhibit Given by Local Woman's Club

Showing at the Parlors of the First Methodist Church Proves Very Pleasant and Interesting.

From Friday's Daily— Yesterday afternoon at the parlors of the First Methodist church was held the art exhibit staged under the auspices of the Plattsmouth Woman's club and which reflected the greatest credit on the city as an art center and the work of the local people who had exhibits there, as well as offering a wonderful opportunity of viewing a number of high class paintings by Nebraska artists.

There were several groups and sections of the art work, the domestic art class of the high school, the handicraft and art work of other nations being shown as well as floral art, photographs, china painting, lamp shade and linen, lace and other craft work.

It was most interesting to those who attended to look over the various groups of different lines of art work, all well arranged and shown to the greatest advantage and affording the visitor a real opportunity of seeing just what was being developed in this line of work in this city and the state.

A large collection of Swiss hand work in needlecraft and textures were shown, this being offered by Miss Marie Kaufmann and represented a number of very fine articles that she had secured on her recent trip to Switzerland.

A group of art work from Bohemia was also shown, linens, glassware and the fancy shawls of that country being in the exhibit.

The floral art display was made and arranged by Henry Jasper, local florist and was very attractive.

Mrs. A. S. Christ had several artistic showings of photographic art work while the showing of real lace made by Mrs. E. A. Wurl and which was formerly the property of her mother, Mrs. P. Andrus, attracted much attention. Mrs. Evi Spier had as one of the unique showings specimens of the Batik work and Mrs. F. L. Cummins a showing of the new decorative lamp shades.

The china painting section also had a very large and beautiful assortment of all designs and types of this work and in this section there were specimens from Miss Jessie Robertson, Mrs. R. B. Hayes, Mrs. B. A. Rosencrans, Miss Cordelia Field, Mrs. W. G. Soennichsen, Mrs. C. A. Rosencrans, Mrs. F. S. White, Miss Helen Egenberger, Mrs. Ida Cole, Mrs. Josephine Murphy Wilde of New York, Mrs. Robert Troop, the late Mrs. Ella Ruffner Dodge, Mrs. John Minor, Mrs. Isaac King of Superior.

In the class of oil, watercolor and sepia paintings, sketches and penmanship were showings of the work of Mrs. Percy Wheeler, Miss Virginia Beeson, F. R. Gobleman, Miss Florence Martin, Miss Helen Egenberger, Mrs. Dora Castle, Allison, Damian, Catherine and Patricia Flynn, Mrs. Glenn Perry, Miss Anna Peoples, Miss Marie Kaufmann, Miss May Murphy, Dr. Roy A. Dodge of Omaha, Mrs. Val Burkle, Louis Ottinat of Nebraska City, Mrs. Isaac King of Superior, Mike Tritsch, Mrs. F. S. White, Paul Vandervoort, Jack Uthik, Ione Dovey Betts of Omaha, Father George D. Pierce.

The sixth grade pupils of Mrs. Blanche Gerner also had a showing of their craftwork in the Y. M. B. C. room of the church that attracted a great deal of attention from the audience.

There were a large number of paintings shown for the occasion from prominent Nebraska artists and among these were works of Nellie Alexander, Alice Cleaver, Mary Ann Davey, Robert Denning, Augustus Dunbar, Dr. Robert Gilder, Alice R. Edmiston, Cordelia Johnson, June Johnson, Clara Leland, Jennie Lichnovsky, Thomas Linberg, Eva Peterson, Adella Robinson, Edith Tompsett, Edwin Truman, Laurie Wallace and John Zwann.

In addition to the art work the ladies served tea during the afternoon that added very much to the enjoyment of the occasion.

Mrs. R. B. Felton added to the pleasures of the afternoon by her delightful numbers on the piano.

RECEIVES RE-ELECTION

From Thursday's Daily— W. G. Brooks, former superintendent of schools of this city and later with the schools at Nebraska City and York, and who has been superintendent of the city schools at Burlington, Ia., has just been re-elected to the position of superintendent at the Iowa city schools. Mr. Brooks is one of the leading educators of the middle west and his services have been recognized in the various cities in which he has been engaged in school work. The new contract of Mr. Brooks is for a three year period and at a very pleasing salary.

ASK FOR ESTATE PARTITION

From Friday's Daily— An action was filed in the district court yesterday entitled Ola Minota Spacht et al. vs. Norma E. Baumgart and Thyra May Baumgart, minors et al.

The plaintiffs in the action are the children of the late Mrs. Mary Kaffenberger while the defendants represent the interests of the late Mrs. Dora Baumgart, one of the heirs of the estate.

Auto License Fees Bring State Much Revenue

Cass County in Past Year at Reduced Fees Contributed \$54,166.54— State Total \$3,936,458.26.

From Friday's Daily— The automobile license fee is a very large item in the raising of revenue for the state of Nebraska and last year the sum of \$3,936,458.26 was the total sum raised in the state of Nebraska from the registration license fees on automobile vehicles, County Treasurer Miss Mia U. Gering, states. The efficient county treasurer who has charge of this department in her office and has made a very deep study of the various taxes secured, also showed that in the 1925 period Cass county had contributed \$54,166.54 to the auto license fund and this was on some 5,394 auto vehicles.

The county treasurer also had figures on the other counties of the state and reveals that Omaha and Douglas county had given \$588,851.85 to the auto tax fund on 56,278 vehicles of various types.

It is interesting to learn of other counties of the state and their contributions to the state auto tax and our neighboring county of Otoe on 6,603 auto vehicles paid in the sum of \$63,756.62.

BAR COMMITTEE MEMBERS NAMED

From Thursday's Daily— Fred A. Wright of Omaha has been appointed chairman of the committee on affiliation of local bar associations of the Nebraska State Bar association by E. E. Good, president of the association.

Harvey Johnson of Omaha has been named chairman of the membership committee.

District members of both committees were named as follows: First district, F. C. Radke, Tecumseh.

Second district, W. A. Robertson, Plattsmouth.

Third district, Clarence G. Miles, Lincoln.

Fourth district, Edward J. Shoemaker, Omaha.

Sixth district, Charles E. Abbott, Fremont.

Seventh district, Thomas Keenan, Geneva.

Eighth district, Sidney Frum, Dakota City.

Ninth district, Fred Berry, Wayne.

Tenth district, L. H. Blackledge, Red Cloud.

Eleventh district, N. P. McDonald, Kearney.

Thirteenth district, J. L. Tewell, Sidney.

Fourteenth district, Walter D. James, Cambridge.

Fifteenth district, John A. Davies, Valentine.

Seventeenth district, P. J. Barron, Gering.

RETURNING HOME SOON

From Thursday's Daily— The reports from the hospital at St. Louis state that Captain Harrison L. Gayer, who has been there for several months past, is now showing decided improvement and it is hoped to have him able to return home some time next week. This will be very pleasant news to the friends in this portion of Cass county and they are trusting that the genial captain may find permanent relief from his long illness in the course of treatment that he has undergone.

Taking Depositions in Platte Bridge Case

Representatives of T. H. Pollock, Plaintiff in Case, Secure Statements of K. of T. Officers.

From Friday's Daily— This morning while Judge Begley was busily engaged in reviewing cases that were in his hands for action, his court room was presenting somewhat of the life and interest of "trial" days, as Judge H. H. Wilson of Lincoln and Attorney A. L. Tidd of this city, as attorneys for T. H. Pollock vs. Roy Cochran et al, were engaged in taking depositions that will be used in the trial of a case in the Lancaster district court on March 11th.

The depositions that were being taken were those of H. A. Schneider, president and Searl S. Davis, secretary of the King of Trails Bridge Co., whose structure has been appraised by the state department of public works and the state railway commission under proposed action of being taken over and purchased by the state of Nebraska and the counties of Cass and Sarpy to be converted into a bridge after the cost price to the counties was paid back in tolls.

In the case pending in the Lancaster county district court in which Mr. Pollock, as a taxpayer of Cass county, objected to the taking over of the K. of T. bridge on the grounds that it was not constructed according to specifications, was not of the proper type to resist ice and that it would be an injustice to the taxpayers to take over this bridge before it was thoroughly tested out. The legality of the action of the state officers in proposing to take over the bridge questioned.

The depositions taken here largely covered the proceedings of organization of the King of Trails Bridge Co., the manner in which the plans were prepared and by whom, the letting of the contract to the Economy Bridge Co. of Lincoln, as well as the details of various meetings and negotiations that led to the decision to buy the bridge on the part of the state and the two counties.

From the nature of the questions that were asked it was evident that the plaintiff's attorneys were seeking to place connection with Mr. Cochran, state engineer, in the erection and preparing of the plans of the new bridge as well as the letting of the contract for the structure, Mr. Cochran being state engineer and in whose department the purchasing of the bridge lays.

LET ROAD CONTRACTS

From Thursday's Daily— At Lincoln yesterday at the office the state department of public works and State Engineer Roy Cochran, was held the letting of the first of a series of contracts involving the construction of some 475 miles of dirt and gravel highways in the state.

The contracts are the first in the intensive road program of the year and covered several large projects in different parts of the state, the counties in which the work will be carried out being Dakota, Thurston, Washington, Cass, Nemaha, Saline, Polk, Cedar, Dixon, Pierce, Dodge, Saunders, Otoe, Richardson, Pawnee, Seward and Jefferson.

The projects in Cass county that were awarded were No. 256-A-Union-Elmwood, Cass county, 5.1 miles, grading, J. W. Wochter, 10 cents, \$17,447.70; culverts, Metz Co., \$6,386.15; guard rail, George Cronkhitte, 30c, \$3,345.20.

RETURNS FROM DAKOTA

From Thursday's Daily— Yesterday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Henry G. Soennichsen and their son, John Melchior Soennichsen, returned home from a visit that they have been enjoying at the home of Mrs. Soennichsen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Gunderson at Vermillion, South Dakota. The family have been visiting there for some little time and Mr. Soennichsen since Sunday has been enjoying a short outing in the Dakota city. The Gunderson family is one of the most prominent politically in our neighboring state, Governor Carl Gunderson of South Dakota being an uncle of Mrs. Soennichsen while another cousin is the democratic candidate for United States senate.

HAS TONSILS REMOVED

From Thursday's Daily— Damian Flynn, of the men's department of the H. M. Soennichsen Co. department store, has been taking an enforced vacation for the past few days from the store and as the result of an attack of tonsil trouble that made necessary the removal of his tonsils. Damian has been at the St. Joseph hospital in Omaha and where the operation proved very successful and the young man was able yesterday to leave the hospital and will spend a few days visiting with his brother, Allison Flynn and will be able by the last of the week to resume his work.

EASTERN STAR MEETS

From Friday's Daily— Last evening Home chapter No. 189 of the Eastern Star held a very pleasant and largely attended meeting at their lodge rooms in the Masonic temple, the occasion being marked by the initiation of two men members and the reception of a member by transfer from another lodge.

The newly installed officers of the chapter put on the initiatory work in very effective manner and forcibly brought out the lessons of the fraternity to the new membership of the order.

The newly received members were Mrs. Golda Noble Beal and Mrs. Frank Elliott by initiation and Mrs. Henry Soennichsen, transferring from the Vermillion, South Dakota chapter.

At the conclusion of the session the committee in charge served refreshments and delicious refreshments that were very much enjoyed by all of the members of the chapter present and despite the unpleasant weather there were some sixty in attendance.

Bridge and Highway Meeting March 2nd

County Association Is to Hold First Annual Meeting for the Election of Officers.

The first annual meeting of the Cass county Bridge and Highway association is to be held at Weeping Water on the evening of Tuesday, March 2nd, and if the road conditions will permit there is every prospect of a very large number in attendance.

The interest of the bridge proposition that is to be one of the chief features to be brought to the attention of the next session of the legislature, is still in the development stage, and everyone of the communities and sections of the state where organizations are being formed are getting busy on their plans for a series of bridges at Plattsmouth, Nebraska City, Rulo, Blair, Omaha and Sioux City over the Missouri river.

To successfully put this across, organization must be necessary with all of the counties being thoroughly organized and ready to present the program and see that steps are taken by the legislature to give the two state of Iowa and Nebraska the proper facilities for crossing the Missouri river without having to go miles out of their way to accomplish this.

In addition there are also several movements on the good roads part of the program that should be considered and of course primarily the chief highways that are yet incomplete here is the Red Ball highway from Murray west and the "O" street road from Union to Elmwood.

The other roads of the county are also in such condition that steps to get a part of them at least surfaced this year should be made in order that the winter them bad work may be possible. These highways that are important but not state and federal aid road serve large areas of territory and are necessary in getting over the county and should receive consideration in the road program. There are a number of these, among them the Plattsmouth-Louisville, Louisville-Greenwood Cedar Creek road and several of the more important roads in the central and western portions of the county.

PHILIP STOCHR POORLY

From Thursday's Daily— The many friends of Philip Stoehr, one of the old residents of this city, will regret to learn that Mr. Stoehr is now confined to his home as he has been in very poor health for some days past and his condition is such that his daughter, Mrs. Peter Schoeder of Bellevue, has been called here to look after the care of the aged man and will remain until his condition has a change for the better. Mr. Stoehr has been in gradually failing health for the past several months.

BREAKS COLAR BONE

From Thursday's Daily— The little granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louise Spies had the misfortune of breaking her collar bone six weeks ago while playing on the titter totter at the St. John's school was relieved of the shoulder bandages today by Dr. J. S. Livingston. Mary Louise is very happy now and will be ready to be out and playing again in a few days.

RECOVERS FROM ILLNESS

From Friday's Daily— Louis Ward Egenberger, who has, for the past several days, been suffering from a very severe attack of the grippe and cold, that confined him to his home, has so far recovered that he is now on duty at the store. Louie has not suffered greatly from the effects of the malady and under his careful treatment has yielded nicely.

Real Treat is Presented by Dramatic Club

High School Dramatic Club Gives Clever Comedy-Drama, "Adam and Eva" at School.

From Saturday's Daily— Last evening those who attended the presentation by the Dramatic club of the high school of the sparkling and clever comedy-drama, "Adam and Eva," at the high school building, enjoyed an evening of the greatest pleasure in the splendid manner in which the young people of the cast carried out their parts as well as in the excellent play that had been selected and which proved a real entertainment.

The play itself concerned the household of "James King," a rich man, which role was very cleverly given by Carl Keil, and around the doings of the family circle was woven the plot of love and the case of the idle rich finding themselves in the face of disaster and working out their salvation from financial ruin to find at the end that they are still wealthy but had learned the true value of life. Conspiracy on the part of the family starts King on a trip to South America for a rest, the family seeking to escape his arguments and fussing over the household bills, but ere he leaves he places the family in the care of "Adam Smith," his business manager and in which part Edgar Wescott was well cast. With the departure of the father Adam is installed as the father of the household and around his efforts to control the family are many clever situations. The family has the usual household pest, an uncle who came to visit a week and remained fifteen years," this part, "Horace Pilgrim" being taken by Rudolph Iverson. The leading feminine role of the play was that of "Eva" in which Miss Helene Perry proved a real star and around the affairs of "Adam and Eva" developed the chief interest of the play. As "Clinton DeWitt," the son-in-law of King and "Julia DeWitt," George Caldwell and Miss Kathleen Troop were pleasing. Miss Violette Begley appeared as "Aunt Abby Rucker" and gave a pleasing turn to the cast while Gerald Smith as "Dr. Jack Delameter," family physician and in love with "Eva" was very pleasing his part of the drama. A great deal of comedy was brought to the role of "Lord Andrew Gordon," by Edward Patterson and his characterization of the part was all that could be wished. Miss Mary Warren who appeared as "Corinthia," the parlor maid of the King family served to add interest to the of the clever drama and gave the role the full benefit of her pleasing personality.

The play given by the Dramatic club of the school was under the auspices of the junior class of the high school and under the direction of Miss Delores Bosse, and in the direction and carrying out of the play Miss Bosse deserved a great deal of credit as the verdict of those who enjoyed the play was that it was one of the most enjoyable that the young people of the school have ever offered.

As entertaining features between the acts of the play Miss Helen Sharp gave one of her pleasing vocal numbers and while Miss Alice Wooster served as the accompanist and also was heard in several very delightful piano numbers that reflected the greatest credit upon the young artist.

Call at the annex of the Bates Book & Gift shop and enroll in the free classes that are learning the new decorative art work in lamp shades and screens. It is a pleasant and attractive work that any lady can find most profitable.

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REAL ART DIRECTOR

From Saturday's Daily— The success of the Woman's club art exhibit that was held at the parlors of the First Methodist church on Thursday was due to a great extent to the hard work of the art committee of the club consisting of Mrs. Monte A. Streight as chairman and Mrs. Frank Emory Pfoutz and Miss Marie Kaufmann. Mrs. Streight has had a great deal of experience in this line of art work as she was for fifteen years engaged in this line of work in Chicago and her efforts in the line of painting has been given recognition at different times. Two of her paintings, "The Landing at the Foot of William Tell Chapel" as well as "Scenes Along the Schuykill River" were two of the charming pictures that were shown at the exhibit here this week. The art committee were guests on Thursday noon at the Plattsmouth Ad club at their weekly luncheon and honored for their efforts in giving the exhibit the success that it had been.

Through the efforts of the ladies of the club 600 of the school children had the opportunity of viewing the exhibition yesterday morning before the ladies started their work of removing the art works and the event was very much enjoyed by all of the members of the school.

School supplies at lowest prices at Bates Book and Stationery Store.

RECEIVES WORD FROM SON

From Saturday's Daily— Rev. O. G. Wichmann, of the St. Paul's Evangelical church has just received a message from his son, Arthur, who has been for the past few years located in Chile, announcing that he had reached Havana on his way back home and would be here around the middle of April to visit with his father.

Mr. Wichmann has been with the Braden Copper company in their South American fields and is now coming to the United States to look over a number of the large copper smelters in this country, as the Braden company is to start one of these at their mines in Chile, with Mr. Wichmann in charge.

Mr. Wichmann is a graduate of the college of engineering of the University of Wyoming and also holds a degree from the University of Washington as an engineer and has been very successful in his work in South America.

County Superintendent to be a Candidate

Miss Alpha C. Peterson, Present Superintendent to Be Candidate at the Election Next Fall.

From Saturday's Daily— This morning Miss Alpha C. Peterson, present county superintendent of public instruction, filed her name in the office of County Clerk George R. Saylor as a candidate for re-election to the office that she has so efficiently filled.

Miss Peterson enjoys an advantage over the average candidate in that she is on the non-partisan ticket and can secure votes from every political faith while the other candidates have to make their party affiliation and do battle in the party primary.

There has been no one suggested as yet to oppose Miss Peterson at the primary or the general election and she may have smooth sailing for the position altho the idea of November are still far away.

Miss Peterson was appointed county superintendent in September 1917, on the resignation of Miss Edna Marquardt, serving in the vacancy until the fall of 1918 when she was re-elected to the position and has since been returned several times to this office. Her administration of the office has been very business like and efficient and has kept pace with the steps in education and brought the Cass county schools to a very high standard.

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ENJOYING FINE TIME

From Saturday's Daily— Word has been received from Mrs. J. C. Peterson, Sr., who is spending the winter in California, and in which she states that she is having a very fine time and greatly enjoying the many points of interest in that section of the country. At Hawthorne, Mrs. Peterson was the guest of Mrs. James Loughbridge at her home 150 East Carolina street. The occasion was the meeting of the "500" club and a large number of the ladies were present to meet Mrs. Peterson.

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