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Number of New Teachers Selected for Next Year

New Principal of High School Comes From Leland Stanford University—Other Selections.

From Tuesday's Daily—
At a regular meeting of the Board of Education held at the high school building last night, Mr. James V. Simon of Palo Alto, California, was elected to succeed Mr. Poynter as principal of the senior high school. Mr. Simon is a young man in the latter twenties and married. He has had several years of experience as a high school teacher and comes very highly recommended. This year he is pursuing graduate work in Leland Stanford University of Palo Alto, California, and will receive his Masters Degree from that institution this summer. The board feels that it is very fortunate in securing the services of so capable a man for this position.

Other high school position filled at a meeting last night. Miss Elizabeth McEwen, who received her degree from the University of Nebraska in February and is now attending the Merrill-Palmer school in Detroit, was selected for the Home Economics position. Miss McEwen completed the Smith-Hughes course in Home Economics at the University of Nebraska and has had two years of experience as a teacher.

Miss Margaret Dunlap of Twin Falls, Idaho, was elected to the English position in high school. Miss Dunlap will receive her A. B. degree from the University of Nebraska in June and has the very best recommendations. She made a personal application at Plattsmouth during the holidays.

Miss Mary Tidball, who is a graduate of the University of Nebraska and this year has been teaching English in Newman Grove high school, was elected to a position in the Junior high school.

Other teachers who have been recently elected to grade positions are: Miss Margaret Mahaffay of Omaha, Neb.; Miss Betty West of Newman Grove, Neb.; Miss Ann Welshar of Avoca, Neb.; Miss Joy Craven of Albion, Neb.; and Miss Helen Farley of Plattsmouth.

Vacancies yet to fill are: one commercial position in high school, first and third grade positions, history and music in Junior high. These positions will be filled in the near future.

GIVES SHOWER FOR MISS BEESON

From Monday's Daily—
The home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Westcott was the scene of a very pleasant gathering on Saturday afternoon, the occasion being a miscellaneous shower given by Mrs. C. C. Westcott and Mrs. E. H. Westcott in honor of Miss Grace Beeson, who is to be married to Mr. J. B. Snow of Los Angeles in late June.

The time was spent in the home of tea and conversation and the members of the party were favored with a delightful reading by Miss Beeson. Wives that added to the pleasantness of the occasion. The members of the party also prepared a number of train telegrams that were to be presented to the bride elect.

In honor of the occasion Miss Beeson received a number of very beautiful gifts of linen and silver that will be lasting tokens of the friends in her childhood home.

In serving the hostesses were assisted by Misses Ruth Shannon of Lincoln and Miss Helen Beeson.

SURPRISE FRIEND

From Monday's Daily—
Last evening a pleasant birthday party was given in honor of Mrs. John B. Kaffenberger at their country home west of this city. The surprise was given by Mrs. Kaffenberger and her friends and neighbors. The evening was spent in playing cards till a late hour when dainty refreshments were served. Mrs. Kaffenberger received several beautiful gifts.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Geo. L. Hennings, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Lohnes, Mr. and Mrs. Will Wehrlein, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lohnes, Mr. and Mrs. William Renner, Mr. and Mrs. Ceasar Baumgart and baby, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hill, Mr. Louis Lohnes, Miss Marjorie Shopp, Dale and Dennis Hennings, Marion Lohnes, Edward Wehrlein, Norman Renner, Ralph Edward Hill, Chester Renner and Mr. and Mrs. John B. Kaffenberger.

DRAWN SMALL FINE

From Monday's Daily—
This morning Judge A. H. Duxbury was called to the city hall where he acted as the substitute for Judge William Weber in hearing a complaint filed against Paul Bartik, Jr., who was charged with having been intoxicated. On a plea of guilty made by the defendant the court gave him a fine of \$10 and costs and which was promptly settled for and the defendant sent on his way rejoicing. Mr. Bartik was taken in custody last night by the night police.

LECTURE LARGELY ATTENDED

From Tuesday's Daily—
Last evening the Plattsmouth Woman's club had as a feature of their meeting at the high school a most pleasing program given by the local people and a lecture by Miss Mary Irene Wallace, head of the fine arts department of the Tech high school.

The program of the evening was opened with a piano number by Miss Vyrul Fossler and which was followed by an address of welcome from the past president of the club, Mrs. Allen J. Beeson.

Last Friday, music supervisor and Mrs. E. H. Westcott gave two vocal selections that added to the pleasures of the program.

The address was along the lines of dramatic art and Miss Wallace took as her subject, "The Civic Theatre and was a splendid address that every one of the large audience felt well repaid in attending and gave them a clear insight into the work of the theatres of the community life.

The program was closed with a piano number by Mrs. Robert Reed, one of the talented musicians of the city.

Judge William Weber is in Serious Condition

Police Judge of the City Has Been Confined to Home for Last 3 Days—Better Now.

From Monday's Daily—
William Weber, police judge of the city and one of the old time residents of the city, has for the past three days been confined to his home as the result of a very sudden attack of sickness that he suffered on Friday.

The condition of Mr. Weber was quite grave on Saturday and caused the members of the family to be summoned to his bedside, but he rallied on Sunday morning and today was reported as being much better, although his case is still quite grave. The exact nature of the illness has not been determined, but it is thought that it may be in the nature of a slight stroke, but this has not been definitely decided as the cause of the illness.

The many friends of the Judge are hopeful that he may continue to improve and in the next few days show a definite progress toward recovery and be able to resume his duties as police judge of the city and be able to be out and mingle with his old friends.

RETURNING TO PLATTSMOUTH

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wilcox and daughter, Marilyn, formerly of Plattsmouth, Neb., who have spent the past year in Florida at the home of Mr. R. L. Propst will leave March 19th for the north. They will visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Wilcox in Plattsmouth, and numerous other homes of their relatives and friends before returning to the land of sunshine and flowers.

On March 24th, Mr. and Mrs. Elvin E. Greene, Jr., formerly Miss Roberta Propst of Plattsmouth, entertained at their home on Lakeside Drive for Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox.

The evening was spent at cards. The Thursday Bridge club presented to Mrs. Wilcox a beautiful motto as a token of remembrance and friendship while she is away. Mrs. Wilcox was also recipient of high bridge score. A delicious plate lunch was served to thirty guests, all of who wish the Wilcoxs a happy trip and a speedy return.—Lake Worth (Fla.) Leader.

BREAK INTO CARS

From Monday's Daily—
Saturday evening the office of Sheriff Bert Reed was notified that there had been three cars of meat broken into while in transit on the Missouri Pacific railroad somewhere between Todd Junction and Nebraska City. The parties breaking into the cars had made away with a quantity of the fresh meat but all efforts to find the location of the crime failed and it is not known just at what place the break was taken. The cars were in transit to Kansas City and St. Louis from Omaha it is stated.

CLERK MAKES REPORT

From Monday's Daily—
The report of the clerk of the district court for the first quarter of 1927 has been filed by the county clerk and shows that this department of the county government has been enjoying very thriving business in the first three months of the year. As Mrs. Golda Beal reports \$1,015.74 as being the sum collected in her office.

BEAUTIFUL GIFT

The Public Library has a very beautiful "Regal" Amaryllis just ready to bloom, a gift of Mrs. Thomas Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox have a veritable conservatory in their home and enjoy sharing their beautiful flowers in this way with the public.

Plattsmouth Ladies at Peru Convention

Local Representatives Royally Entertained and Present Their Play for the Convention.

From Tuesday's Daily—
The Plattsmouth ladies who attended the first district convention of the Women's clubs which was held at Peru the past week had a very fine time at the meeting and in the series of meetings that marked the convention, they derived a great deal of pleasure as well as profit.

The Plattsmouth ladies who comprised Mrs. L. L. Turpin, president; Mrs. William Woolcott, Mrs. Robert Tremp, Mrs. Oscar Sandin, Mrs. William Gorder and Mrs. W. G. Troop, had a very delightful time and the Plattsmouth group was one of the chief entertaining factors in the convention.

The local ladies had arranged to present a part of "King Lear," which was the subject selected by the state dramatic department for the year's study and that portion which was decided upon was act III and scenes I and II of the play. Mrs. Troop, Mrs. Sandin, Mrs. Gorder and Mrs. W. G. Troop comprised the cast and gave a very finished rendition of the play that was received with the greatest of enthusiasm by the members of the convention. Mrs. William Gorder was awarded the prize for the best character of the play and which was the source of a great deal of pleasure to the local delegation. The Plattsmouth company of drama students will probably present this play at the state convention of the federation as the enthusiasm of the first district ladies for them to repeat the play was strong and insistent that the play be given more extensive offering.

The convention selected Mrs. Whitfield of Lincoln as the new president of the district and the retiring district president, Mrs. Ingersoll was presented with a token of the esteem of the associates in the first district club section.

While at Peru the members of the convention were taken sightseeing over the city and enjoying to the limit the beauties of the little college town that lies nestled among the hills of the Missouri valley and where many very beautiful scenes can be found.

BOOSTING LOCAL LADY

From Tuesday's Daily—
The members of the local post of the Women's Relief Corps are engaged in boosting strongly for one of their number for a place in the ranks of the state officers of the society.

In the past year one of the hard working members of the local post has been Mrs. Elizabeth Forbes who with the members of the post has been in the forefront of the patriotic movements and have by their efforts assisted in seeing that the Grand Army of the Republic as well as their own organization was looked after and cared for.

The state department of the Women's Relief Corps would reflect the greatest credit on themselves and their patriotic society in the selection of Mrs. Forbes for office in the state department as she has been one of the hard workers of the society and in her untiring work has contributed greatly to the advancement of the W. R. C. and the G. A. R. in the state.

The Plattsmouth Women's Relief Corps has been among the most active of the state and their splendid services to the community and state should receive some recognition and the selection of Mrs. Forbes as one of the state officers would be a well made selection of one of the untiring workers of the order of the state.

SUFFERS INJURED FOOT

From Tuesday's Daily—
Saul S. Davis, well known real estate man, is enjoying the uncomfortable ordeal of having one of his pedals out of commission and does not exactly know the reason therefore. When chided for suffering from the foot, the real estate man entered a vigorous denial and stated that he had injured the foot in playfully kicking at some object and as the result he has not been able to look after his usual duties with as much sprightliness as usual. However the foot is doing nicely and it will be back in shape for his usual activities.

INJUNCTION GRANTED

From Tuesday's Daily—
This morning the district court was busy with hearing the case of Hattie I. Chapman vs. Robert H. Chapman, in which the plaintiff sought an order of court to prevent the defendant from interfering with the plaintiff in any way or residing at the home of the parties. The plaintiff was represented by Attorney W. G. Kleck. After hearing the evidence in the case the court entered an order granting the temporary injunction in the case as requested by the plaintiff.

MARRIED AT NEBRASKA CITY

From Monday's Daily—
The marriage of two well known residents of this vicinity took place on Saturday afternoon at Nebraska City when Mrs. A. E. Hass and James W. Sage quietly drove to that city and were joined in the bonds of matrimony. The wedding was very quiet and the marriage lines read by County Judge Bischoff of Otoe county at his office at the court house. Following the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Sage returned to their farm home south of this city where they will make their home in the future. Both the bride and groom are well known in this section of Cass county and in the new happiness that has come to them they will have the best wishes to their many friends.

Scouts and Campfire Girls Have a Party

Joint Gathering of Young People at the High School Last Evening—Largely Attended.

From Tuesday's Daily—
Last evening the high school gym was the scene of a very pleasant gathering of the members of the Boy Scouts and the Campfire Girls, the two societies joining in the happy occasion.

The time was purely informal and the time spent in the playing of games of various kinds that served to make the time pass most delightfully and at which the young people derived a great deal of fun and pleasure.

E. H. Westcott, chairman of the Scout committee and J. A. Capwell, one of the scoutmasters of the local organization, gave brief words of greeting to the assembled party of young people and adding their part to the festivities of the occasion.

At the close of the evening the members of the party enjoyed ice cream and cake as the refreshments and which was most completion of a real evening of fun.

SMALL FIRE LAST NIGHT

From Wednesday's Daily—
The fire department was called last evening to the residence on west Elm street owned by Mike Sedlak but which was unoccupied and which was discovered to be in flames by the neighbors about 6 o'clock.

The fire was a small one however and was soon checked by the members of the family led by Louis Sedlak, son of the owner of the house, who with a few buckets of water subdued the blaze.

It is thought that the fire must have originated from sparks from a neighboring house and ignited the roof of a small frame kitchen and was found just in time to prevent the spreading of the blaze to the main part of the house. The fire loss will not be heavy however.

DOING VERY NICELY

From Tuesday's Daily—
Fritz Ott, who has been at the hospital in Omaha for the past six months, has so far returned home and has been able to return home and is now recuperating here and gaining his strength. Mr. Ott is at the home of his sister, Mrs. August Rakow in the west part of the city and under the care and pleasantness of the home surroundings is enjoying himself and gaining a great deal in strength. It will be some time before he is able to gain his old time health and vigor as he has been greatly run down by the effects of his long illness.

REPAINTING THE BRIDGE

From Tuesday's Daily—
A force of some fifteen men started in this morning on the task of painting the Burlington railroad bridge over the Missouri river at this point which has been in need of this work for some time past. The work will take some three months to complete and will give the structure a thorough overhauling and place the bridge in the best of shape to withstand the elements.

HAS BIG QUARTER

From Tuesday's Daily—
The report of County Judge A. H. Duxbury, filed in the office of County Clerk George R. Sayles, shows that the first quarter of 1927 has been a very lively one judging from the fees that have been gathered in the office. The amount of fees reported by the county judge for the quarter is \$1,108.50, one of the best showings that they have had in a great many months.

COURT DECIDES CASE

From Monday's Daily—
In the case of C. A. Baldwin vs. August Meyer, et al., which was tried in the court here some time ago, Judge Begley rendered his decision finding for the defendant W. H. Puls as to his liability in the case. Attorney W. A. Robertson appeared in the action for the defendant Mr. Puls.

City Pays Honor to Its Loved Priest

Funeral Services of Monsignor Shin Attended by Vast Numbers—Forty-Two Priests Here.

From Wednesday's Daily—
The city of Plattsmouth regardless of creed today paused in the daily activities of life to pay tribute to one of its loved residents whose earthly tasks have been finished—Monsignor Michael A. Shine, rector of the St. John's Catholic church.

So large was the assembly of friends of all faiths that it was impossible for a large part to gain entrance to the church which was filled long before the commencement of the mass at 9 o'clock and to the crowds on the lawn of the church and in the street in front of the church the service was carried by means of amplifiers that allowed them to join in the services that were in progress in the church.

The body has lain in state in the church where the loved priest had served for nineteen years, from 7 p. m. Tuesday and in that time hundreds had passed the bier to pay their last farewell while up to the hour of the funeral a guard of honor from the Plattsmouth council of the Knights of Columbus had kept its watch at the side of their friend and fellow member in his last long sleep.

As the time for the mass approached, the guard of honor, composed of fourth degree Knights of Columbus from Fitzgerald council at Lincoln, composed of T. J. Cunningham, F. A. Kidwell, J. J. Bogan, John Beha, Dr. E. G. Zimmerman, John Rosenstock, Walter Jorgenson and A. J. Riley entered the church and took their places at the casket at the chancel rail, receiving the Plattsmouth guard and remaining with the body until it was laid to the last rest at Calvary cemetery at Lincoln this afternoon.

The procession of the clergy moved from the parish house at 9 o'clock and entered the church, there being some forty-two of the priests of the Omaha and Lincoln dioceses present and headed by the Rt. Rev. Francis J. Beckmann, bishop of Lincoln.

Father James Stenson of Omaha served as the master of ceremonies at the church and during the celebration of the mass for the dead.

The office of the dead was recited by all of the priests present at the church and was a most impressive scene with the hundreds of mourners gathered in devout attitude through the church.

The impressive and beautiful requiem high mass was celebrated by the Rt. Rev. Francis J. Beckmann, bishop of Lincoln. The deacons of honor were Father John J. Hoffmann, Father Joseph Riss of Lincoln and Very Rev. Theo Sauer, C. P. S. of Nebraska City. Father William McKinon of Lincoln served as the subdeacon, Father James Stenson of Omaha, master of ceremonies, Father Hart was incense bearer, and Father Krucinski, candle bearer.

During the celebration of the mass a choir of priests directed by Father F. A. O'Brien of Hastings, sung the mass. Miss Ellen Leslie, organist of St. Mary's church at Nebraska City, served as the organist. The priests comprising the choir were Fathers R. H. Verhelst, Milligan; R. L. Bickert, Beatrice; F. A. Lombard, Dawson; C. F. Boermann, Paul; J. F. Hennessy, Syracuse; M. J. Shanagher, Palmyra.

With the conclusion of the mass Father D. B. O'Connor of the St. Patrick's church, Havelock, read the telegraphed message of sorrow from the Nebraska State Historical society which took part in the interment ceremonies at Lincoln. Father O'Connor, long countryman of the departed Plattsmouth rector and friend of many years standing paid a beautiful and deserved tribute to the memory of the departed priest, historian and true man, giving in his splendid manner his impressions of the late Monsignor Shine in his daily duties as the priest of the church, the citizen of his community and the man of historical knowledge that he had labored to leave to his beloved state of Nebraska as a heritage of the future generations in finding the real story of the state.

Bishop Beckmann gave a very strong sermon during the service in which he drew a graphic picture of the christian life such as had been that of Monsignor Shine, the duties and the faithful christian and citizen in the daily walks of life and in the devotion to the church and its principals. The sermon was one of the greatest eloquence and was a wonderful appeal for the turning of the lives and hearts toward the tenets of the christian faith and christian living.

The Episcopal benediction and the last rites of the church for their dead was celebrated by Bishop Beckmann as the conclusion of the services at the church.

Following the funeral the members of the visiting clergy were served dinner by the Plattsmouth Catholic Daughters of America at the church school and the funeral party departed for Lincoln at 1 o'clock for the final services at the grave at Calvary cemetery.

The members of the party of priests by placing your ad in the Journal.

City Election a Clean Sweep for Democrats

Goos and Westover on Board of Education—All the Councilmen Win on Ticket.

From Wednesday's Daily—
THE WINNERS
Board of Education.
Henry F. Goos, Dem.
R. P. Westover, Dem.

Councilmen.
First Ward—P. A. Horn, Dem.
Second Ward—Claud C. Smith, Dem.
Third Ward—W. H. Puls, Dem.
Fourth Ward—John Lutz, Dem.
Fifth Ward—A. R. Blunt, Dem.

With a light vote that almost set a record in all save the second and third wards, the democrats at the city election yesterday reversed the general president that a light vote spelled a republican victory and every candidate on the city democratic ticket swept to election majorities that ranged on the councilmanic ticket of from one in the first ward to twenty-two in the third.

The result in the wards was the quiet and unchallenged result of the trend of the voters and no work was done to any extent by the candidates on either ticket save in the second and fifth wards where there had been some active canvassing on the part of the candidates during a part of the day at least.

The board of education race found both Henry Goos and Dr. R. P. Westover, the democratic candidates running very even in all of the wards and in the total Henry Goos was leading his colleague by only fifty and both had large leads over Mrs. Ray McManis, the republican candidate for the office. The vote on the board of education ticket in the ward was as follows:

	McMaken	Westover	Goos
1st	77	80	116
2nd	126	167	171
3rd	102	132	152
4th	43	51	67
5th	33	77	51

TOTALS -- 381 507 557

The closest race of the councilmen ticket was in the first ward where Philip A. Horn, democrat, defeated E. C. Harris, present incumbent by one vote, Horn receiving 77 to 76 for Harris.

In the second ward Claud C. Smith in his initial bow in the political game had a majority of twelve over John L. Tidball, Jr., the present councilman from that ward. The vote in this ward was Smith, 139, Tidball, 127.

The third ward gave W. H. Puls, democratic candidate a good lead over John V. Hatt, Puls receiving 122 to 91 for Hatt.

The fourth ward found John Lutz, one of the outstanding candidates of the election the winner by seven votes over John Schutz, the present incumbent, the vote standing Lutz, 46, Schutz, 39.

In the fifth ward a three cornered race resulted in the battle being between Arthur R. Blunt, democrat, with 43; Robert H. Patton, independent, 33 and Jess Atterberry, republican, 28.

The tabulated vote of the city election was as follows:
COUNCILMEN
First Ward.
Harris, R. 76.
Horn, D., 77. Maj. 1.
Second Ward.
Tidball, R., 127.
Smith, D., 139. Maj. 12.
Third Ward.
Hatt, R., 91.
Puls, D., 122. Maj. 22.
Fourth Ward.
Schutz, R., 39.
Lutz, D., 46. Maj. 7.
Fifth Ward.
Atterberry, R., 28.
Blunt, D., 43. Flu. 14.
Patton, Ind., 33.

The election brings all new men into the city government with the exception of John Lutz, who was for a number of years in the council from the fifth ward and was at one time candidate for mayor of the city. The result will mean the changing of a number of the committees of the council at the coming change in officers and will leave the chairmanships of several of the leading committees vacant.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Office of the Comptroller of the Currency, Washington, D. C., January 31, 1927.

Notice is hereby given to all persons who may have claims against "The First National Bank of Plattsmouth," Nebraska, that the same must be presented to Fred Buerstet Receiver, with the legal proof thereof, within three months from this date, or they may be disallowed.
CHARLES W. COLLINS,
Acting Comptroller.

Work of Great Historian and Priest in State

Officers of Nebraska Historical Society Pay Tribute to Work of Priest.

In the death of Monsignor Michael A. Shine the Nebraska State Historical society experiences a very deep loss. He was one of the most ardent, well equipped and thoro scholars in the field of Nebraska and western history. His love for study in this field was the dominant intellectual trait of his life. He was elected a member of the Historical Society board in January, 1918, and has been continuously a member of the board, being first vice president at the time of his death. In the absence of President N. Z. Snel from the city, W. E. Hardy, president during the past two years and Superintendent of the State Historical Society, published in the Nebraska History Magazine in 1923.

The Spanish Expedition of 1720, (with maps), published in 1925 in the Nebraska History Magazine.

"In addition to these publications Monsignor Shine was a constant source of strength for the working staff of the Historical society. Translations from early French authorities by Superintendent Sheldon were submitted to his careful and intelligent criticism. He was keenly interested when Curator Blackman brought in new collections of the stone age from Nebraska fields. And in every other phase of historical work his sympathetic and effective interest was always felt.

"In addition to these Monsignor Shine was in his Historical society relation, as in life, one of the most lovable and kind natures. No one could fail in friendship for such a scholar and such a lover of Nebraska."

Members of the Historical Society board in the city will attend the last services in honor of Monsignor Shine Wednesday.—State Journal.

SOCIAL WORKERS MEET

From Wednesday's Daily—
The Social Workers of the Methodist church met at the home of Mrs. H. H. Howter yesterday afternoon in a most pleasant social gathering and which was quite largely attended by the members of the society. An entertaining Mrs. Howter was assisted by Mrs. Elvin Craig.

During the afternoon the ladies enjoyed a most pleasant reading by Mrs. Joseph A. Capwell and also a guessing contest in which all of the members of the party took part and enjoyed to the utmost. At the close of the afternoon dainty and delicious refreshments were served to the ladies.

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