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## Juniors Tender Farewell Banquet to the Seniors

One of the Most Delightful Affairs of the School Year Held at M. W. A. Hall.

From Thursday's Daily—  
Amidst a scene of the rarest beauty and with the touch of winter gathered in the decorations the junior class of the Plattsmouth high school last evening tendered the farewell banquet to the senior class of the school soon to pass out as graduates of the institution of learning.

The hall was arranged most elaborately and the color scheme of green and white was carried out in every detail of the pleasant inter-class event, the juniors by their skillful work carrying a place in the school history with one of the most artistically arranged banquets held in the history of the school.

The walls as well as the canopy ceiling of the banquet hall was formed in the clear and dazzling white, this being also used in the arrangements of the decorations of the lights while on the side walls large cut out trees of green were used to roll the stretches of the white walls. The tables were arranged also in the color scheme with the snowy linen and the tiny evergreen trees that dotted the long rows of the tables and which with the sparkling silver and china, surrounded by the bright and youthful faces of the graduates and the near graduates made a scene of rarest charm. The menu cards were also in green and white colorings. Dainty place cards were also used in keeping with the plan of the Alaskan settings.

During the course of the banquet the Leo Beck orchestra of Lincoln favored the members of the banquet party with a program of the latest and most popular offerings of the music world and served as a highly entertaining feature of the event.

The Q. Z. society of the First Presbyterian church furnished the menu of the banquet prepared in exquisite manner and served in faultless style, the waitresses being also dressed in the green and white of the general plan of the evening.

The menu of the banquet was as follows:

- Snow Ball Ice
- Chicken requesada
- Potatoes a la Dutchess
- Asparagus on Rosettes.
- White Sauce
- Alaska Conserve
- Clover Leaf Rolls
- Radishes
- Olives
- Alberta Salad with Whipped Cream Mayonnaise
- Wafers
- Northern Lights Bombe Glace
- Bon Bon Cakes
- Coffee
- Salted Nuts
- Mints

The toast list was presided over by Robert Wurl, president of the junior class, who proved a very clever master of the art of the toastmaster and introduced the various speakers in his usually clever manner. In the toast the speakers carried the auditors along the trail from the green forests to the snow clad peaks.

"The Trailblazers" was the toast of Mrs. John F. Gorder, member of the board of education and who told of the work of the public school system in preparing the way for the students of the public schools who were to come on the trail in search of education.

"In the Evergreen Forest" was the response of Frederick Wehrlein, freshman representative at the banquet and who took up the trials and tribulations of the first year members of the high school on the journey into the unknown places of knowledge of the high school.

"On Trek" was the response of the sophomore, made by Robert Habraba, who recounted in a clever manner the march of the high school student forward from the first year towards the promised land of graduation.

The toast, "Guide Posts" was given by Floyd E. Flack, member of the high school faculty in touching on the relation of the teacher to the pupil as a guide post on the way of knowledge and life and was a very splendid toast for the occasion.

"In the Deep Snow" was the toast of Edgard Wescott representing the juniors and who recounted the many happy incidents of school life and the realization that the juniors felt as they came into the position of the higher class of the school when their friends of the senior class were parting from them.

The seniors expression of gratitude was given by Miss Thelma Kroehler, class president in her toast "In Sight of the Glistening Peaks" in which the president gave the sense of appreciation that her associates has felt in the service that has been given them by their teachers, the schools provided by the people of the community and the opportunity that had been given for their acquiring knowledge.

stories and touches of the pleasant personal touches that had been had by the teachers and the scholars in the years of the life in the school.

## BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

From Thursday's Daily—  
The board of county commissioners will hold their annual session as a board of equalization on June 14th, 15th and 16th at the commissioners room at the court house at which time they will take up the matter of the adjustment of claims on assessments.

## Joe McCarty to Manage the Local Baseball Team

One of the Veterans of the Team to Guide the Organization for the Coming Season.

From Thursday's Daily—  
The baseball meeting held last night at the office of the secretary of the chamber of commerce was attended by a very large number of the members or prospective members of the organization that it is proposed to have formed in this city.

The meeting was presided over by Sam Moyer as the chairman and Herbert Swanson as secretary and all of the details of the coming season were taken up and discussed by the prospective players.

The local team which is to be a part of the Cass-Sarpy baseball league will have as their team mate in the league Louisville, which place has agreed to take the berth made vacant in the dual county circuit by the withdrawal of Gilmore.

At the meeting the officers selected were the president and secretary, Messrs Moyer and Swanson with John Syboda as treasurer while the baseball team of the team Joe McCarty was selected by the players as being the best suited to pilot the destinies of the team for the season.

It was also decided that there would be two baseball clubs formed to work together that they would have no conflict in playing dates and to give the local fans plenty of good fast baseball the coming season, which will govern to a large extent just what the baseball organization will be able to accomplish in getting under way.

The team will have to depend on the support of the fans at the games for their revenue to keep the organization going and just as the patronage at the gate develops will it be possible to bring the team up to the highest standard as the operation of the baseball team constantly requires the expenditure of cash and which is derived from the proceeds of the games.

The ball players are preparing to do their part and it is now up to the fans to demonstrate just how strong they are desiring a baseball team here for the 1927 season.

## CLASS ENJOYS FINE TIME

From Friday's Daily—  
Last evening the members of the Y. M. B. C. of the First Methodist church were the guests of Rev. H. E. Sorior at the church parlors in a social evening that was enjoyed to the utmost by all of the members of the party and which they will long pleasantly remember.

The host had arranged a fine program of games and chief of which was the indoor baseball game and in which the interest was maintained until a late hour as the members of the party divided into two teams, fought for the victory.

## UNDERGOES OPERATION

From Thursday's Daily—  
Yesterday at the Methodist hospital at Omaha William Wynn of this city was operated on for a severe case of gall stones from which he has been a sufferer for some little time and which he was treated for last summer. It had been hoped to get the stones removed without the necessity of an operation but this was found to be impractical and the result was that it was necessary to have the operation performed. Mr. Wynn will be operated on for the second time on Friday and which it is hoped will give him some permanent relief from his suffering.

## ARREST MAN AT MURRAY

From Thursday's Daily—  
Last night Sheriff Bert Reed was called to Murray where he placed Lee Childers under arrest and charged with having created a disturbance, having had an altercation with members of the family and which led to his being brought here as an enforced guest of the sheriff. The man is still at the county jail awaiting the filing of information against him.

## Herman Weiss Battles Robbers at Farm Home

Parties Stealing Meat Are Later Captured by Sheriff Reed and Deputy Young.

From Thursday's Daily—  
This morning at 1:30 Sheriff Bert Reed and Deputy Sheriff W. R. Young were called out to the locality northwest of this city where it was reported that the farm of Herman Weiss had been visited by a gang of robbers and who had looted the smokehouse on the farm and made away with a large amount of meat. The men were detected by Weiss in the act and after a battle at the Weiss farm and a chase by the sheriff and deputy the two men were captured at the farm home of Ed Baumgart.

Mr. Weiss had been aroused by the slamming of the door of the smokehouse and this is what saved the bacon, as Mr. Weiss after his two sons ran out of the house armed with shot-guns as the parties fled toward the road where their car was parked, carrying the spoils of the smokehouse with them.

The farmer and his sons continued their pursuit until seeing a mess in the street and made attempt to stop the car of the robbers who had some difficulty in getting away and at this time Mr. Weiss shouted to his sons that he was going to call the sheriff and give the direction the auto was heading and which was evidently heard by the parties as they turned their car, which was headed east around and started west but crashed into a small embankment and damaged the car so that their get away was hampered and Mr. Weiss also threatened the men in the car who told him to get out of the way or they would run over him. Mr. Weiss fired at the car and the bullets zipped through the rear part of the car, but not hitting any of the occupants.

Shortly after the invaders got their damaged car on the road Sheriff Reed and Deputy Young arrived and started in pursuit of the car and pressed so closely that the occupants commenced to unload the meat as they swept along the roadway in an attempt to escape from the officers. So hard pressed were the occupants of the car that they were unable to get out of the way or they would have hurriedly left the car and ran into the kitchen of house as the sheriff and deputy drove into the farm yard and they had not had time to seat themselves when the sheriff came into the rear and pulled them under the tree. Mr. Baumgart who was asleep was aroused and informed of the robbery and the fact that the two men pursued had sought shelter in his home, the kitchen door being unlocked as was the custom and which had evidently been known by the parties. The two men arrested were Henry Bartik, aged 24, and George Bartik, aged 15, and who were brought on in the city and lodged in the county jail to await the filing of information against them by the county attorney.

There was a third member of the party, Mr. Weiss stated, the height and who it is claimed was recognized so that another arrest may be expected in the case at any time.

This morning the two Bartiks were examined at the office of the county attorney and came through with the greater part of the story of the robbery.

A part of the meat missing from the Weiss smoke house was recovered along the road but some is still missing. Mr. Weiss claims. No meat was found in the car when it was overhauled by Sheriff Reed.

The hearing of Henry Bartik will be had as soon as the authorities are able to secure the third party in the case who is now being sought.

## EXILE COLORED FOLKS

From Friday's Daily—  
Last night Officer Dave Pickrel of the night police force had the task of running a half dozen of the colored brethren out of the city, the party arriving in the city via the box car route and leaving the same way a few moments later. The party had come up into the main part of the city and fell under the eye of the policeman who promptly rounded them up and announced the bad news that this was not a habitation of the colored folks and was the one place that boasted of only white residents. On learning the fact that the members of the dark hued races were not received here with open arms, the members of the party moved to the Burlington yards where they boarded a freight bound for a climate where the colored man is his own—probably Chicago.

## MORTGAGE RECORD

The mortgages filed on farm property in the county in the month of April showed a gain while the town property record saw a reduction in the amount of the mortgage indebtedness. The excess of the farm mortgages over the releases was some \$49,000.

The amounts as shown by the record are as follows: Farm property—filed, \$216,619. Released, \$177,680.51. Town property—filed, \$18,250. Released, \$22,962.

## FUNERAL OF JOHN KOUKAL

From Thursday's Daily—  
This morning at the Holy Rosary Catholic church in the west part of the city was held the funeral services of the late John Koukal, a large number of the old time friends being in attendance at the services. The requiem mass was celebrated by Father J. Hanick, rector of the church and who paid a very pleasing tribute to the life of the departed to his home and his family in the years of his life.

At the conclusion of the service the body was laid to rest in the family plot in the Catholic cemetery, the pall bearers being six of the sons of the deceased.

## William Furry Ends Life at His Home Last Nite

Worry Thought to Have Caused Rash Act That Has Shocked Family and Friends.

From Thursday's Daily—  
The community was shocked last night when William C. Furry, a resident of the south portion of the city ended his life at the family home and in a few moments had passed away after taking a dose of strychnine, the death coming as a severe blow to the family who were unaware of the impending tragedy until the fatal act had been committed.

Mr. Furry had been in a worried condition for the past several days and yesterday had complained of not feeling well, having visited the office of a local physician last night to secure some medicine but not finding the physician had stated that he had some medicine at home that he would take.

Mr. Furry with others of the family had returned to the home in the south part of the city and the brother and children had remained at the garage for a few minutes while the unfortunate man had gone, as they supposed to the garage. The other members of the family later came into the house and found that Mr. Furry had not appeared and which caused some apprehension to the wife and others of the family and they searched around the place but decided that perhaps the unfortunate man had gone to one of the neighbors on some errand. A short time later Mr. Furry appeared at the home and the family, he had made a large taken poison and before aid could reach him had passed away.

The deceased was forty-nine years of age and has been in the employ of the Burlington at the local shop for a number of years, coming to this city from Wahoo, the old home of the family. He has made a large circle of friends since leaving here and who share the sorrow that has come to the grief stricken family of the unfortunate man as the result of the tragic death.

Mr. Furry was twice married and is survived by the second wife and five children. He has made a large circle of friends and one sister and four half sisters and two half brothers.

In the sudden taking away of the husband and father the members of the family circle will have the task of supporting the large circle of friends in the community.

## SOCIAL WORKERS MEET

From Thursday's Daily—  
The Social Workers of the First Methodist church met on Tuesday afternoon at the Hotel Perkins with Mrs. Ed Brantner and Mrs. Clarence Cotner as the hostesses and the event proved one of the greatest pleasure to the large number of ladies in attendance.

The meeting was under the leadership of Mrs. W. R. Holmes and was in the nature of a "Mother's day" program with several of the ladies taking part in the meeting.

Mrs. Hal Garnett gave two very charming vocal numbers appropriate to the occasion and Mrs. C. C. Wescott gave a very beautiful tribute to the memory of mother. Mrs. Allen J. Benson was heard in a reading, "To Mother" which was one that all of the members of the party enjoyed to the utmost.

At the close of the afternoon refreshments were served by the hostesses which added to the enjoyment of the occasion.

## GYM CLASS ORGANIZES

From Friday's Daily—  
Last evening was the last performance of the Business Men's Gym class at the high school auditorium and the members will spend the summer season in other lines of activity to keep fit for the enjoyment of life and the golf links will call a great many for recreation. The class ere they closed for the season elected their officers and selected John E. Turner, county treasurer, as president and Judge A. H. Duxbury as secretary, so the business affairs of the club will be handled at the court house.

## Urge Closer Observance of Decoration Day

Stores to be Asked to Close at 10:00 O'Clock to Permit of Greater Tribute to the Dead.

From Thursday's Daily—  
Last night's monthly Legion meeting was largely devoted to a discussion of more significant observance of Decoration day and plans laid for making this an occasion of tribute paying to our heroic soldier dead, including a return to the manner of observance in vogue when the Grand Army men were still active and made it one of the big days of the year, reverently wholly to reverent observance. Since they have dropped the reins to younger hands, locally the day has lost some of its meaning and it is in the hope of reviving this that the Legion has pledged itself to greater activity.

The morning ceremonies at the cemetery, when the graves of all soldier dead are strewn with flowers, should be largely attended instead of a mere handful of Legionnaires and other interested parties whisking out to the cemetery in cars, hurriedly scattering their flowers and rushing back to town to "enjoy" the day. So, the Legion will make an effort to revive the old time custom of a procession to the cemetery and will have its drum corps out to lead the procession with appropriate dirge beat. The old veterans will be taken out in cars, and although there will be many cars in line, it is probable a good many Legionnaires will fall in behind their drum corps and march to the cemetery as in the olden days when the band and long and winding procession of pedestrians.

To facilitate unhampered carrying out of the plans, a communication has been addressed to the Plattsmouth Ad club asking their co-operation in securing the closing of business houses of the city at 10:00 o'clock in the morning, instead of the customary noon closing hour of the past few years.

In the past, the hour set for going to the cemetery has been 9:00 o'clock, but with invariable delay of from 30 minutes to an hour, and it was thought that with the stores closing at 10, it would be best to set that as the time for leaving and start out right on the minute.

The afternoon program at the Park will be contributed to by each of the patriotic organizations of the city, including the Legion, which will furnish the speaker, Mr. Harry Truitt, chairman of the Rehabilitation committee of Omaha post No. 1. The hour of this program is 2:30.

The Legion committee appointed by Vice Commander Otto Lutz, who presided at last night's meeting in the absence of Commander Soennichsen, to have charge of arranging the morning ceremonies and co-operating on the afternoon program, is composed of Frank Smith, J. A. Capwell and Roy Holly.

## MARRIED AT GLENWOOD

From Saturday's Daily—  
The Glenwood dispatches state that Mrs. Grace Sperry and Joseph McCarty of this city were united in marriage in that city on Monday last and which has been the source of a great deal of interest to the many friends of this popular couple. Mr. and Mrs. McCarty have returned home and are now at home to the friends in the south portion of the city. Both of the contracting parties are well known here where the bride has made her home for some ten years and the groom is a native born resident of this city, a son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph McCarty, Sr., and has since completing his school work been engaged with the Burlington in the local storehouse of the company. The bride has been engaged as clerk in the offices of the store department here and at Lincoln and has resigned this position to accept the duties of the management of her new home.

## GETS "LIT" UP

From Friday's Daily—  
Yesterday Chief of Police Johnson had a victim of the canned heat habit on his hands for several hours until the victim of the heat was sufficiently recovered from the effects of the "jag" to get out of the city.

The day being chilly the wanderer needed the needed more than the ordinary amount of heat and purchasing a can of the well known heat proceed to prepare himself a "hoboe highball" which reached the spot evidently, as the man was found in a well heated condition some time later by the police and taken to the city lock up where he spent the day.

As the shades of evening were falling the chief took the man, Joe Brown, to the boundaries of the city and pointing to the great north, admonished him to get hence or suffer the penalty of long imprisonment in the dungeons of the city jail and with a glad farewell, Joe proceeded on his way.

## ENJOYING BROTHER'S VISIT

From Friday's Daily—  
Secretary W. C. Davis of the chamber of commerce, who is now improving very nicely from his recent release, following his operation at the hospital in Omaha, is enjoying a visit with his brother, D. D. Davis of Moline, Illinois, who arrived this morning for a few days stay at the Davis home. Mr. D. D. Davis is a twin brother of W. C., and their personal resemblance to each other is very pronounced and has been confusing to a number of the Plattsmouth people who have sought to congratulate the visitor on the fact that he was able to be up and around, mistaking him for the secretary. Mr. Davis is able to receive visitors at his home and a number of the friends have called to help him pleasantly pass the time away.

## Plea of Guilty Entered in Meat Stealing Case

Fines Are Assessed Against Henry and George Bartik in the District Court.

From Friday's Daily—  
This morning the district court was occupied with hearing the complaints filed by County Attorney W. G. Kieckhefer against Henry Bartik and George Bartik, charging them with breaking and entering, the crime having been committed on the farm of Herman Weiss, northwest of this city and in which the two young men and a third party, not yet apprehended had been caught by Mr. Weiss in the act of escaping from the smokehouse and who were later captured by Sheriff Reed and Deputy Sheriff Rex Young.

The two men had agreed to plea guilty to the charge as preferred against them and threw themselves on the mercy of the court and the county authorities and also agreeing to appear and testify in the case when called in the trial of others who might be implicated in the crime.

In view of the youth of the two men and the fact that they had given the plea of guilty to the offense the court imposed a heavy fine on both of the parties rather than the penitentiary penalty.

A fine of \$500 and the costs of the prosecution was given Henry Bartik while George Bartik, the youngest of the men, aged 15, was given a fine of \$250. Both men were remanded to the custody of Sheriff Bert Reed until the fine and costs have been paid.

The third member of the party that invaded the Weiss smokehouse is still at large and steps are being taken to try and apprehend him either in Omaha or in this locality.

## RECEIVES SAD NEWS

From Saturday's Daily—  
John McLean of this city received a cablegram yesterday of the death on Thursday evening of his father, William McLean, aged 76 years, who passed away at the old home at Gateshead-on-Tyne, England, following an illness of some duration. Mr. McLean and family were in England several times in the last few years to visit the parents and to aid them in their failing years, but as Mr. McLean has been in business for the greater part of the time since coming to this country and has become a citizen of the republic he has been compelled to make but short trips. The death of the father in England comes as a very severe blow in the fact that the aged mother of Mr. McLean who is now left a widow, is blind, having suffered the loss of her eyesight in the last year and as soon as possible it is expected that Jack will close up his affairs to go to the old home and care for the mother in her few remaining years.

## BRING IN COYOTES

From Saturday's Daily—  
The office of County Clerk George R. Sayles has been receiving a great many coyote scalps in the past season and which has netted the lucky ones capturing the animals \$2 for each of the scalps. This morning Adam Kaffenberger of south of the city was here with seven scalps and yesterday afternoon Wallace Warnor brought in six of the scalps. The state and county pays a bounty on the heads of the animals that are brought in and which are redeemed by the county clerks over the state.

## DEATHS GAIN ON BIRTHS

From Friday's Daily—  
The record of the deaths and births in the locality for the month of April as filed at the office of Miss Jessie M. Robertson, official recorder of these statistics, show that in the month past there were two births recorded and seven deaths, giving a large percentage of gain of the death rate over the birth rate of the community. The deaths were largely persons of advanced age.

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## Farmers State Bank to Have a Fine Building

Remodeling of the Present Structure Will Give Them Up to the Minute Banking House.

From Saturday's Daily—  
The Farmers State bank of this city which has enjoyed a very fine increase in its business in the past year and added many new patrons is to have the building occupied by the bank remodeled and re-arranged for the handling of the business with speed and dispatch and adding to the comfort of the employes and the convenience of the patrons.

The front of the bank is to be entirely changed and the material for the new front is commencing to arrive on the ground and it will be but a short time until the work of changing over the structure will be started. The front of the building will be in the new granite stone with the new entrance at the west corner of the banking room, large double doors giving access to the bank building. The east portion of the front will have a large plate glass window which will be placed for the most convenience as to light and give privacy to the office of the bank. Along the top of the new front will be a large prism glass that will admit light to the banking room in addition to the window. The front will also be raised from the present height of the building and with its beautiful stone finish will be a very pleasing addition to the business section of the city.

In the interior of the bank there will be several changes made which Mr. T. H. Pollock, president of the bank and the other officers have long felt the need of having and these will include the re-arranging of the counters to give more room for the clerks in the bank and allow of greater speed in waiting on the customers by providing more windows for the customers to transact their business. Adjoining the railed in office of the bank president will be a small private office and adjoining this on the north will commence the main banking room.

The large increasing business of the bank and the large number of the safe deposit boxes makes it necessary to have a new vault constructed and which will be built in the rear of the present vault which will be ample for all the needs of the bank and adjacent which will be the wash rooms for the employes and patrons as well as a large sized room for the use of the patrons and customers in conferences or looking after business matters and which will be very much appreciated by the bank customers.

The changes that have been planned by Mr. Pollock in the building will make it one of the most attractive banking houses in the state and one that will be made for the greatest measure of comfort for the bank employes and convenience for the patrons of the bank.

## MAKE A BIG CLEAN UP

From Saturday's Daily—  
The clean up campaign that has been carried on between showers in the main section of the city, has proved a real success in getting rid of a great deal of rubbish and dirt and Chief Oscar Sandin of the fire department, who had charge of the campaign, reports that 200 wagon loads of rubbish and dirt were hauled away in the course of the campaign over the city and the greater part of this rubbish came from the business section of the city. In the clean up Chief Sandin was assisted by John Rice and John Smith and as the result of the campaign a great many potential fire traps and dangers were eliminated that will help boost the fire prevention record of the city in the next year.

Chief Sandin has kept after these annual clean up campaigns in the past few years and has had the pleasure of seeing the average of the fires in the city cut to a very low figure and one where the total fire losses of the year has been considerably less than \$2,500 including all classes of fires and which is a real record for a city of this size.

## MISSIONARY SOCIETY MEETS

From Saturday's Daily—  
The Home Missionary society of the Methodist church was very pleasantly entertained at the church parsonage on Thursday afternoon, Mrs. John Elliott being the hostess of the afternoon and which proved a very pleasant event for all of the ladies in attendance. The election of officers was held at this time and the following selected:

- President—Mrs. Frank Barkus.
- Vice-President—Mrs. Otto Keck.
- Recording Secretary—Mrs. Fred Kissling.
- Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. W. I. Howland.
- Treasurer—Mrs. R. B. Hayes.

After the business session of the society the members spent a few hours in visiting and having a most pleasant time and partaking of the refreshments provided by the hostess.

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