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Very Quiet Wedding of Popular Young People

Miss Mary Louise Warren and Mr. Richard E. Beverage Married Last Evening.

From Thursday's Daily—
Last evening at 8 o'clock at the Methodist parsonage occurred the marriage of two of the popular young people of the city, Miss Mary Louise Warren and Mr. Richard E. Beverage. The wedding was very quiet and the bridal couple had as their only attendants, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Reed. The young people had quietly determined on the holiday season for the happy event and which came as a great surprise to the many friends who had been unaware of the plans of the young people.

The marriage lines that united for all time the lives of these two estimable young people, was read by the Rev. H. E. Sortor, pastor of the First Methodist church.

The bride wore as her wedding gown an attractive traveling costume of blue with picture hat to match that enhanced her dark beauty.

Following the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Beverage departed by auto for Blair, Nebraska, where they will enjoy a short honeymoon and visit at the home of relatives for a short time and will be at home to their friends here after January 1st at their home on west Elm street.

The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Warren of this city where she was born and reared to womanhood and is a graduate of the Plattsmouth high school in the class of 1926 and was one of the most popular members of the senior class being selected as the queen of the spring festival by the vote of the school. Since graduation she has followed the vocation of school teaching and is at the present time one of the efficient teachers in the country schools and has charge of the Kenosha school south of this city.

The groom is the youngest son of Mrs. Ruth Beverage of this city, and like the bride has been reared in this community where he received his education and graduated in the class of 1921 from the Plattsmouth high school. He is at the present time engaged with the H. M. Seonrichsen store and is a young man of the highest character and one that is held in great esteem by those who have the pleasure of his acquaintance and his industry and many fine characteristics has made him a very wide circle of friends in the community where he has made his home.

The many friends who wish this section of Cass county will learn with pleasure of the wedding of these two estimable young people and extend to them the very best wishes for many years of future happiness and success as they take up the journey of life together.

LARGE CROWD AT DANCE

From Thursday's Daily—
The largest crowd since the opening ball with Tracy-Brown's orchestra, was in attendance at the dance held last night in the Legion community building and dancers and spectators alike were pleased with the peppy music furnished by Pat Kroh and his Peony Park orchestra. This orchestra played here some six weeks ago and has been re-booked for January 25th.

One of the pleasing things in connection with the Legion dance program is the large number of outsiders who are attracted to Plattsmouth to dance, many of them getting their first glimpse of the town. Last night there were people here from as far south as Tecumseh, west to Lincoln and north almost to Blair, and all felt well repaid for their journey.

The very best of order was maintained in the dance hall throughout the evening and the good time had by all was reflected in their promise to come again.

Plattsmouth Legion dances are being advertised over a wide area and must of needs depend on outside patronage, considering the small number of regular dance attendants in this immediate vicinity, if the Legion is to continue to bring in high class orchestras.

SHOWS SOME IMPROVEMENT

From Thursday's Daily—
Mrs. George W. Rhoden, of this city, who has for the past week been confined to her home by a very severe attack of the grippe and flu, is reported as being greatly improved and able to be up a part of the time now, although she is far from well and feels the effects of the malady that she has been afflicted with. The illness of the wife has kept Mr. Rhoden at home for several days and from his usual activities.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to take this method of thanking the kind friends and neighbors for their many words of sympathy and kindly acts during my illness and assure them their acts will always be a very pleasant memory.—Simon Clark.

FILES PEACE COMPLAINT

From Friday's Daily—
This morning the time of the county court was occupied in hearing the peace complaint filed against William Senf, one in which Henry Huntman, was complaining witness. The parties in the case are residents of the vicinity of near Elmwood and Avoca. The defendant is charged with having used threatening language toward the complaining witness and his sons. The case brought a number here from the locality where the parties reside to hear the case and the evidence offered. County Attorney W. G. Kieck represents the state and Attorney Guy Clement of Elmwood and Attorney W. A. Robertson of this city the defendant.

Cass County Boys to Take Up Aviation

Raymond Hild a Student at Omaha Field and Charles Barrows Planning Aviation.

From Thursday's Daily—
Two Cass county young men, thrilled by the exploits of Col. Charles Lindbergh, youthful American ace, are planning on taking up the vocation of aviation, which is now in its infancy and booms as the big future of the future in the world.

One of the young men is Raymond Hild, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Hild of near Myriad and who is now a student at the Omaha flying field and deeply interested in the study of the navigation of the air—the future means of transportation. Mr. Hild has a strong fascination for the electrical and radio work and has naturally followed these lines into the great field of the air mastery and hopes in a short time to have completed his course and be licensed as pilot and able to handle the planes and serve in this great profession of aviation.

It is expected that Mr. Hild on completion of his course may purchase a plane and be numbered among the Nebraskans who are making this their profession.

Charles Barrows is a well known young man of Murray where he has been interested in auto work at the Murray garage for some time and as soon as it is possible expects to go to Omaha and engage in the study of aviation with the view of becoming a pilot in the air service and assist in making for the development of air navigation in this part of the west.

These two young men are being watched with interest by their many friends and with their enthusiasm and desire to become aviators should make for real pilots and become numbered among the most successful of the Nebraska aviators.

NEW RANGE BUILDINGS

From Thursday's Daily—
The U. S. war department, which has plans for a number of improvements at Fort Crook, one of the points for the Seventh Army corps' CMTC camps, has included the rifle range just north of the pumping station of the Plattsmouth Water company, in their plans for enlargement and improvement.

The range is used by the students at the training camps for their firing both to rifle and machine gun work each summer from the 1st to the 31st of August there are from 700 to 1,000 of the youth at the range to shoot the course in rifle, machine gun and one pounders. The war department will have erected at the range camp a large mess hall and kitchen that will care for the feeding of the men when they are at the range and which will fill a long felt want in this line.

The range is one that is within easy distance of Fort Crook, and has been extensively used the past two years by the soldiers from the fort and the past summer by the students from the C. M. T. C.

HONOR BYRON CLARK

From Friday's Daily—
Byron Clark, solicitor for the Burlington railway in Nebraska, South Dakota and Kansas, was presented with a five hundred dollar, 27-jewel Swiss chime watch Thursday by Burlington lawyers from three states.

HANDLES MUCH CORN

From Friday's Daily—
John E. Scheel, one of the prominent residents of near Murdock and his nephew, Emil Scheel, were here yesterday afternoon for a short time on some business matters. Mr. Scheel has just completed the gathering and shucking of 125 acres of corn on his farm and the yield was 4,500 bushels. Mr. Scheel did the work himself and has been kept very busy for the past few weeks.

Too Many Laws Bring Much Crime Over Country

Bar Association President Hits Press Sensationalism, Reluctant Jurors.

The present increase in crime is due to the multiplicity of laws and to the tendency "to lean on the government for everything." Fred S. Berry, of Wayne, president of the Nebraska Bar association, told members at the opening of the annual convention at the Fontenelle hotel at Omaha.

Mr. Berry mentioned as defects in criminal procedure:

1. The right of men charged with the same offense to demand separate trials. He cited an instance of six men holding up a bank, but who must be tried separately if they choose.
2. Sensational handling of crime stories by newspapers, in which the affair is heralded with screaming headlines, sob stories, pictures and interviews with witnesses.
3. The reluctance of intelligent persons to sit on juries hearing criminal cases because of the morbidity of the cases.
4. The use of peremptory challenges so that more and more prospective jurors must be called and the chance of getting a fair jury lessened.
5. The rule denying a prosecutor the right to comment on the failure of a defendant to take the stand in his own defense, though he may present many alibi witnesses.
6. The attitude of a large part of the public, which considers the only crime that of getting caught and which floods public officers with manifold petitions for clemency.

Legislators, said Mr. Berry, have largely abandoned the theory that the people should not be dominated with unwarranted control of their private affairs, that there is a limit to what law can do for people's morals. They seek to direct down to the minutest detail, Mr. Berry said, quoting the statement that the greatest menace of today is not the law-breaker but the law-maker.

"A comparatively few years ago there were less than 10 thousand indictments pending in all of the federal courts of the United States," he declared. "Ten years later the number has mounted to more than 70 thousand. Last fiscal year there were more than 50 thousand prosecutions for violation of the liquor law alone. We have more than 3,500 annually in the state courts of Nebraska for violation of the liquor law. Other states are similarly burdened."

WINS CORN AWARD

In the past fall there was staged under the supervision of County Agent L. R. Snipes, a contest for the best ten acres of corn in the county, in which there were some fifteen entries.

The result of the contest has just been announced by the college of agriculture at the state university and Earl S. Davis of this city is the first prize winner with Nelson Berger of Nebraska, a close second.

The corn which was entered by Mr. Davis was that on his farm west of Murray on the Red Ball highway where the corn was produced on an acreage that was cleared timber land and sweet clover pasture that was put into cultivation and showed a yield of 87 bushels per acre.

This farm of Mr. Davis has been farmed by Homer C. Campbell and the yield on all of the farm was heavy and particularly on the former timber land and the broken up clover pasture and gave a wonderful yield of the finest corn and which the judges in the state contest have decided was the best ten acre yield in the county among the large list of entries.

ORGANIZE BASKETBALL TEAM

From Friday's Daily—
A group of the young men that enjoyed the football season as members of the Plattsmouth Athletic team, are to continue their activities this season in the basketball court and have already started practicing for a number of games that they hope to stage in this city as well as at other points. In the lineup of the basketball team will appear June Marshall, Frank Koubek, Hill Martin, John Svoboda, George Sedlacek and others who have been experts at this game in the past and who will clash with some of the best teams in the state. The members of the team are planning a game in the near future with the Omaha prints, one of the fast amateur teams in the big town.

Get your school supplies at the Bates Book and Stationery Store, where you will find the complete line at all times.



A New Year's Wish

The Journal, with this issue of the paper, extends a cordial and sincere wish to the residents of Plattsmouth and Cass county for a most Happy New Year; and hopes that 1928 will bring success and pleasure to all those who dwell in our community, and in whose homes the Journal makes its visitation daily and weekly.

The past year has brought to us all some measure of happiness and a dash of the sorrow to make the whole the leaven of life. To many it has brought a great measure of prosperity, while to others there has not been as large a measure of the material gain as their efforts might deserve.

The past is now behind us and each face must look to the dawning of the New Year, whose pages are yet unturned, and it is with the brightest of hopes that we gaze into the future and see the vision of a year filled with advancing prosperity for the great west and a greater and better Plattsmouth and Cass county.

Funeral of James Chalfant Held on Friday

Services at Sattler Funeral Home and Interment at the Young Cemetery.

From Saturday's Daily—
Yesterday afternoon occurred the funeral services of James Chalfant, a pioneer resident of Cass county and one who has had a large part in the history of Cass county.

The services were held at the Sattler Funeral home at Fourth and Vine street in this city and despite the fact of the severe cold and blizzard conditions, a large group of the old friends gathered to pay their last tributes of respect and esteem to this well loved and highly respected resident of the community.

Rev. H. G. McClusky, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, had charge of the services and paid a tribute to the memory of the departed and to the sorrowing members of the family circle he gave hope of the glories that awaited the husband and father in the life beyond the grave.

During the services the choir of the Presbyterian church at Murray gave a number of the old and loved hymns that gave hope and faith to the members of the funeral party.

At the close of the service the cortege moved to the Young cemetery south of this city where the body was consigned to the last long rest.

The following is a short biography of the deceased pioneer citizen: James Chalfant was born near Waynesburg, Penn., December 3, 1854, and died at Prospect Park Sanitarium, Atchison, Kansas, December 27, 1927, aged 73 years and 24 days.

Methodist Sunday School Has Annual Election

A. H. Duxbury Again Named as the Superintendent of the Large Sunday School.

From Thursday's Daily—
Last evening the annual election of officers of the Methodist Sunday school was held at the church following a very delightful 6 o'clock dinner and a short devotional period that was participated in by a large number of the members.

The Sunday school ranks as one of the largest, if not the largest in the city, and has had for the past few years the regular graded system of handling the school with the members advancing through the various grades to the adult classes.

The superintendency of the Sunday school, a position of the greatest responsibility, was filled by the reelection of A. H. Duxbury, who has held this position for the past five years and who was against his desires again placed in the office that he has so very ably filled in his years of service.

Miss Margaret Mapes, who has had a long period of service as the recording secretary of the Sunday school, was again named to that office recognized by her associates in the work.

The officers named for the various offices and department heads were as follows: Superintendent—A. H. Duxbury. Assistant Superintendent—Harry White. Recording Secretary—Margaret Mapes. Enrolling Secretary—Miss Mildred Hall. Treasurer—Sam Moyer. Musical Director—Mrs. E. H. Westcott. Librarian—Justus Lillie. Department Heads: Adult—C. C. Westcott. Intermediate—Mrs. E. H. Westcott. Junior—Mrs. Harry Schulz. Primary—Mrs. R. B. Hayes. Cradle Roll—Mrs. J. D. Marshall. Missionary Superintendent—Mrs. Beulah Roman. Temperance Superintendent—Mrs. Ella Wiles.

It was also decided to sponsor a Sunday school survey of the city to determine those who were in attendance at the various Sunday schools over the city.

SILVERWARE ARRIVES

From Friday's Daily—
The silverware for use in the new community building, ordered several weeks ago by the American Legion Auxiliary, arrived yesterday in time to allay the fears of the ladies, who had met to arrange their menu, etc., and they were well pleased to receive word of its arrival.

As with the chinaware and glassware, complete service for 200 is provided. The silverware is of a plain design, being the new solid nickel-silver that will not wear off like the old plated ware. It was purchased thru M. D. Brown, local jeweler and Legion member.

The arrival of the silver leaves the ladies only short their table linen, funds for this being available as soon as the size and type of tables is decided upon. For next Tuesday night's Happy Hundred, borrowed tables will be used, but the organization will acquire tables of its own in the near future, as well as linen therefor.

County Treasurer Has Car Stolen Last Evening

Chevrolet Coach Belonging to Mr. Turner Taken From Near Court House.

From Friday's Daily—
Last night sometime between 8 and 9 o'clock the Chevrolet coach belonging to County Treasurer John E. Turner, was stolen from the vicinity of the court house and the party taking the same was able to get away with the auto and was still at large at last reports.

The car was parked by Mr. Turner on the west side of Fourth street across from the court house and was last seen by the owner at 8 o'clock when Mr. Turner left it there and went to his office in the county building to attend to some work that took about an hour, finding on his leaving the building that the car was gone from the place where it had been parked.

Sometime ago Mr. Turner had the experience of thinking his car was stolen when it was borrowed for a few moments by some friends and last evening he did not think seriously of the matter until he began inquiries as to anyone having borrowed the car and then it was realized that the car was a "hot one" this time and someone had really taken the gas wagon.

The matter was reported to Sheriff Bert Reed, who with Deputy Sheriff Young and Officers Libershal and Pickel started a search for the missing car. Messages were sent to Omaha, Lincoln and Nebraska City to see if the car had been located there and to keep a careful watch for the machine in these three towns, while the officers drove over the main highways near this city in an endeavor to locate the car and which it was thought might be abandoned by some joy rider.

The only trace of the car received was a report that it had been seen going south on the King of Trails highway south of Murray, but efforts to trace it further were without result. The officers were of the opinion that the parties taking the car would either try to get into Lincoln or to go on south to Nebraska City.

The car bore the license number of 29-6, and is a comparatively new Chevrolet coach as it was purchased the past summer by Mr. Turner.

CHARMING HOLIDAY WEDDING

Herbert L. Meisinger, former Plattsmouth youth, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Meisinger of Santa Ana, California, was wedded to Miss Margaret Haley December 24th, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Haley of Santa Ana.

Promptly at six o'clock the couple took their places before an improvised altar, banked with palms and ferns, intermingled with spicy garnishments varying from shell pink to deep rose. The whole home was decked with similar flowers and greenery. Miss Haley had chosen a charming frock of chiffon in soft bisque tones, and wore a corsage of pink rose buds. The groom wore a conventional suit of dark blue.

The wedding vows were spoken before Rev. O. Scott McFarland, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, in the presence of the two families. After a period of congratulations the young groom whisked his pretty bride away for a short honeymoon tour of that town.

Apartment Hotel to be Arranged for This City

Former Plattsmouth Hotel Building Purchased by Omaha Investors for Use as Apartments.

From Saturday's Daily—
The Plattsmouth hotel building, at the corner of Third and Main streets, which has been unoccupied since the former owner, P. F. Goos, gave over the active hotel business, is soon to become a modern and up-to-date apartment hotel and one that will be a credit to the city in every way.

The building has been purchased by the Unique Realty and Building Co., 321 Union State Bank building, at Omaha, who are to prepare at once to start the work of planning the remodeling of the building for the purpose of an up-to-the-minute apartment hotel and arranged with every comfort for the tenants of the building.

It is planned to have the hotel remodeled to care for sixteen apartments that will be made comfortable with every convenience and the new owners of the building will see that these apartments are made so that they will appeal to those who desire comfort and convenience and at moderate rentals.

Each apartment will have bath, toilet and modern arranged kitchenettes as well as hot and cold water and all of the conveniences of the modern day home.

A strictly modern and adequate heating plant will be placed in the building that will care for the needs of the building in ample shape and supply heat and hot water to the residents of the new apartments.

In addition to the larger apartments, there will be a number of the smaller furnished apartments that will be made especially attractive as bachelor apartments and arranged as the others with private bath and all the conveniences that an up-to-date apartment hotel can supply.

The deal for the building was closed through the efforts of J. P. Falter, of this city and Charles L. Pease, member of one of the large realty companies of Omaha, and who have secured this splendid addition to the city by their interest in the community and will give the residents of the city a fine up-to-date building in the very near future. The two well known realty dealers are to be congratulated on their securing this new hotel and for the interest that they have taken in the development of the city.

In addition to the hotel property, the Unique Realty and Building Co. have also secured the residence properties that were formerly owned by W. T. Craig and will have all of these fixed up in first class shape and be ready for tenants as soon as the work can be completed.

The plans for the remodeling of the Plattsmouth hotel building will be in the hands of the same firm that arranged the plans for the Farmers State bank building and will be with the fullest view of comfort and convenience to the patrons of the new apartment hotel.

VISITING IN CANADA

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Richardson of this city are spending the holiday season at Swift Current, Saskatchewan, Canada, with a sister Mrs. Richardson and her family.

Mr. and Mrs. Richardson left this city in their Chevrolet coupe on December 10th and arrived at Winnipeg, Canada, the principal city of the western Canadian country, on December 13th. They report a very fine trip and made good time as the King of Trails highway traveled for 788 miles, permitted them to make good time on the trip and with the exception of a short portion of the trip through Minnesota the party had little trouble. Mr. and Mrs. Richardson ran into a snow storm when in Minnesota and had a slight delay while the highway was being cleared of the snow. In that section of the country large rotary plows being used for the purpose of getting the snow off the highways and the Richardson family report that it was a great sight, as in some places the drifts reached as high as the telephone poles.

Mr. and Mrs. Richardson left their car at Winnipeg and took the train on west for Swift Current as the extreme winter conditions that exist in Canada did not make advisable to try the long trip by car.

GEORGE SWATEK IMPROVING

From Saturday's Daily—
The condition of George Swatek, well known Plattsmouth young man, at the St. Joseph hospital in Omaha, is reported as being much improved although George has been quite sick since the operation a few days ago when he was operated on for the removal of his appendix. The young man seems now on the highway to recovery however, and it is thought that in the next few days will see him definitely on the highway to recovery.