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Rev. McClusky Addresses High School Class

Baccalaureate Service at Presbyterian Church Most Inspiring and Beautiful

From Monday's Daily—
Last evening the next to the last activities marking the graduation time of the class of 1929 of the Plattsmouth high school were held at the First Presbyterian church when the baccalaureate services were held and the address to the class given by the Rev. H. G. McClusky, pastor of the church.

As the class of fine young men and women entered the church to take their seats at the front of the church, the processional was played very charmingly by Mrs. H. F. Goos and the scene was one of beauty and charm as the young people arrived to take part in this service, that was one marking their journey out into the school of life.

The services were a union of several of the churches for the occasion and the scripture reading was given by Rev. O. G. Wichmann, pastor of the St. Paul's Evangelical church while the prayer was offered by the Rev. H. E. E. of the First Methodist church.

The solo numbers given by Prof. Walter Wheatley of Lincoln were a most inspiring feature of the services, the selections being "Ave Maria" by Kahn and "How Beautiful Upon the Mountains" by Hart, which the beautiful voice of the singer and the artistic rendition made a wonderful part of the most impressive service.

The choir of the church gave the beautiful anthem, "Remember Now Thy Creator in the Days of Thy Youth."

The sermon of the evening was on "Preparedness," a wonderful message to the young people of the school and one of the most forceful that has marked the baccalaureate services for many years. The pastor urged the boys and girls who are now leaving their school careers, to be prepared in every way for the future battles of life, to fit themselves mentally and morally for the future life, to be prepared when the call to duty came that they might give the very best they had to the world in which they were to play so important a part.

PASSES NINETIETH YEAR

From Tuesday's Daily—
Today marks the ninetieth birthday anniversary of Mrs. B. Wurl, Sr., who forty-one years has been a loved and honored resident of Plattsmouth and known to a very large circle of friends in the community. Mrs. Wurl was the recipient of a post card shower from the old friends and the greetings of the members of her family circle on the attainment of this ripe old age which is not often realized.

Mrs. Wurl was born in the province of Brandenburg, Germany, a short distance from the city of Berlin, on May 21st, 1839, and spent her girlhood days in that beautiful section of the old world and where she was married in 1867 to Bernard Wurl, the young couple leaving the same year as their marriage for the United States where they have since been loyal and industrious citizens and had a great part in the life of the community where they have made their home. Mr. and Mrs. Wurl settled first in Wisconsin and where their family was largely reared, coming here in 1888 and have since made Plattsmouth their home. Mrs. Wurl has had the happiness of seeing her five stalwart sons grow to manhood and become settled in their own homes and to feel the fullest honors of devotion that the members of her family could give. The sons are: Paul Wurl, of California; Emil and Bernard Wurl of this city; Otto A. Wurl of Council Bluffs and Ernest Wurl of California.

Since the death of the husband a number of years ago Mrs. Wurl has largely made her home with the children and their families in this city since her advancing years made it necessary to give up her own home. She is at present at the home of her son, Bernard, where she is observing her anniversary.

The Journal extends its best wishes to this grand lady and trusts that a full century of life may be hers and the years be filled with rich reward.

SUFFERING FROM PNEUMONIA

From Monday's Daily—
Waldemar Soennichsen, one of the popular young men of the city, is confined to his home suffering from a very severe case of pneumonia with which he was suddenly taken down by Friday night. Mr. Soennichsen was very critically ill on Saturday and his condition was such that a trained nurse was called from Omaha to take charge of the case and assist in the care of the patient. Mr. Soennichsen was some better Sunday but is still in very serious condition but it is thought with the care showing no more serious that the patient should be able in a few days to show some definite signs of improvement.

FIRE AT PACIFIC JUNCTION

From Monday's Daily—
John Olson, well known resident of Pacific Junction, was in the city today and reports a very bad fire that occurred at that place Saturday afternoon and caused the destruction of the fine residence property of R. M. Olson, located just outside of the city limits. At the time of the fire Mr. and Mrs. Olson and children were in Omaha and the fire had gained such headway when discovered that it was impossible to check the flames and the home was an entire loss. The house which was built by Frank Konfrst of this city several years ago was valued at \$7,000 and which was only partially covered by insurance.

Farmers' Union Band Gives Fine Concert Here

Musical Organization of Young Men and Women of County Heard Here Saturday Evening

The Farmers' Union band, crack musical organization of the residents of the College Hill and Fairview communities south of Louisville, were here Saturday evening and afforded the residents of this section the opportunity of enjoying a concert of exceptional merit.

This band is now under the direction of Will B. Green of Lincoln and has a membership of thirty pieces, being one of the largest and best bands in the county.

This fine musical organization was started a few years ago under the direction of Ed H. Schulhof of this city, the larger part of the membership then being very youthful, and from Mr. Schulhof, a great many of the young people learned their first elementary work in the music line and from this thorough instruction they have advanced to be among the best of first class musicians. Later the band was directed for a short time by W. R. Holly of this city and then Bandmaster Kreiger of Weeping Water took over the organization and has been the bandmaster up to the time of his leaving Weeping Water, where Will Green of Lincoln, well known bandman of that city was selected to act as the director.

The organization is one that all Cass county people can feel proud of and particularly as it is composed of all Cass county people who have stuck to the job of making a real band and have proven successful in their efforts.

It is hoped that before the summer season is over that the residents of this community will again have the opportunity of hearing this fine musical organization when better weather conditions will permit a larger attendance at the concerts.

ENTERTAINS FOR FRIEND

On Saturday afternoon the home of Mrs. J. E. Wiles on Chicago avenue was the scene of a gathering of friends in honoring Mrs. Erle R. Teepell, who is soon to leave this city, her residence for the past three years, to make her home at Atlanta, Georgia.

The home was very prettily arranged in the decorations of pink and white and in which the flowers of the season were used most effectively and gave an added touch of charm to the attractive home.

The afternoon was spent in bridge and in which Mrs. J. W. Crabbill was awarded the prize while Mrs. Teepell was presented with the guest prize of the afternoon, a handsome copy of Bess Streeter Aldrich's newest work, "A Lantern in Her Hand," which will serve to remind Mrs. Teepell of Nebraska and particularly of the friends in Cass county and Plattsmouth.

The guest of honor was also presented with a very charming gift from the club friends as a token of remembrance from those who had wanted to appreciate her so much. In the time that she has made her home here in Plattsmouth, in the Woman's Club work and other activities, Mrs. Teepell has been an outstanding figure and her work has been untiring in all community activities in which she has been identified.

The host of friends in the community are regretting very much the circumstances that has made necessary the removal of this excellent woman from the city but wish them as they go to the southern home, they will take the best wishes of all of the friends.

Mrs. Teepell and son, John, are to leave soon after the graduation of the south, where Mr. Teepell has been for the past several months as storekeeper at the shops of the refrigerator express company at that place.

SON OF GEN. FUNSTON RESIGNS FROM ARMY

San Francisco, May 21.—(Announcement that Lieut. Frederick Funston, son of the late Major General Funston, had resigned from the army, was made here at headquarters of the Ninth corps area. Young Funston plans to enter commercial aviation.

Mrs. Hattie Capwell Laid to Rest at Elmwood

Services at Methodist Church in Old Home Very Largely Attended by Old Friends.

The funeral services of the late Mrs. Hattie Capwell were held Sunday afternoon at 2:30 at the First Methodist church at Elmwood and a very large number were present to pay their last tributes of respect to the memory of this good woman who had been called to the last long rest. The interment was made at the Elmwood cemetery. The following is a short sketch of the life of Mrs. Capwell:

It was near Rochelle, Olge county, Ill., that Hattie E. Dickson was born on the 19th day of July, 1855 where she lived until ten years of age, when with her parents she moved to Sycamore, Ill., and was educated in the schools of that city and became a school teacher at the early age of sixteen years.

While yet in her teens she accompanied her parents to their pioneer home in Wyoming county, Penn., where she again engaged in school teaching. She was the youngest member of a family of ten children born to Charles Dickson and Ruth (Earl) Dickson. Her father and mother at one time lived near Elmwood, Nebr. Her father was a scholar, a Bible student, much of which knowledge he imparted to his daughter, Hattie.

Her parents are now at rest in the old Dickson burial ground near Tunkhannock, Penn., where lies her great grandfather, Marshall Dickson, a revolutionary soldier. She was thus entitled to membership in the D. A. R.

Two brothers and one sister are at rest in the Elmwood cemetery and one brother at Plattsmouth, Nebr. At her request her remains will lie by the side of her sister, Grace, in Elmwood cemetery.

She sought and obtained pardon for sins in her youth and became a member of the M. E. church and remained faithful to the end, holding her membership in Elmwood, Nebr. The last few years she had affiliated with the Hawthorne Community church in Lincoln, Nebr.

March 13th, 1878 she was united in marriage with Joseph Allison Capwell, at Mehoopany, Wyoming county, Penn., and immediately began her life's work on a farm near Factoryville, Penn. It was on this farm that her family of five sons and one daughter, first saw the light of day. Her children all survive and have been reared enough to have rendered such assistance as was possible in her declining years. This uniting of the Dickson and Capwell families brought together names that now are and have been common in north-eastern Pennsylvania since and prior to 1790.

Mrs. Capwell and her husband were ardent in their support and allegiance to the M. E. church at Factoryville, Penn., the old-time Capwell home place.

After a brief illness the husband and father passed on April 1st, 1896, leaving Mrs. Capwell and their children, Lena C., now Mrs. C. R. Corbett of Lincoln, Howard F. Capwell, Elmwood, Joseph A. Capwell of Plattsmouth, all in Nebraska, and Maxwell T. Capwell, Denver, Colo., Earl D. Capwell, Marsh, Mont., and Norman E. Capwell of Sioux City, Ia. The death of Mr. Capwell brought added responsibilities to his widow with her family the eldest of whom was 17 and the youngest not quite 2 years of age. Be it ever to her credit that she kept the family together and they grew under her admonitions to know that, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom."

In 1908 she came with her family to Elmwood, Nebr., and maintained a home where the children reached maturity and now are in homes of their own. The pioneer life took her to Montana late in life where she homesteaded and procured a patent for her land. About two years ago she suffered a stroke of paralysis from which she never recovered. A few days ago she was again stricken and she was unable to rally from its effects. On Thursday, May 16th, 1929 she peacefully passed into the hands of her Creator in whom she had placed trust.

Had she lived three months longer she would have rounded out an even 74 years. Her children are all present except Earl D., who was prevented from attending these last rites. In addition to the immediate members of her own family who mourn her departure there are scores of relatives and friends scattered from east to west who will learn with sorrow that her life has ended.

Mrs. J. A. Johnson of Courtland, Nebraska (who has been here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Sydebotham and her sister, Mrs. J. R. Stine, returned this morning to her home.

PLAY GOLF AT NEBRASKA CITY

From Monday's Daily—
Yesterday morning long before the orb of day poked his head over the Iowa hills, C. A. Rosencrans, Lee McCarty, Frank Horsack and L. W. Niel loaded into the faithful auto and started southward to play a forenoon at the Nebraska City country club course. The enthusiasts enjoyed a real time and from all reports Horsack led the forenoon in the low scores with Clate and Lee finishing in the money and in fourth place. The golfers found the chilly weather not the best for the golfing and which accounted for the large scores rolled up by the Plattsmouth forenoon.

Warner Family Have Very Fine Reunion Sunday

Entertained at the Home of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hutchison Honoring G. W. Warner

From Monday's Daily—
Yesterday the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Hutchison near Rock Bluffs was the scene of a very happy gathering of the relatives in honoring Rev. G. W. Warner of Arkansas, who is now on his visit at the home of his brother, C. H. Warner and other relatives in this locality.

The gathering was featured at the noon hour with a delightful dinner and at which was provided a feast such as can only be found in the hospitable Cass county homes and around the board was gathered many of the branches of the family to honor the aged guest of honor, who is now in his eightieth year and to assist in making notable the occasion, the first visit here in twenty-five years and the first time in a quarter of a century that the three brothers, G. W., C. H. and Frank Warner have been together, the only regret being that the brother residing near Alvo was unable to be here for the event.

The afternoon was spent in a very fine program which embraced several violin solos by Wallace Terryberry as well as a fine and inspirational talk by Rev. Warner, who is an ordained minister of the Christian church, and the wonderful address was completed by a lovely poem most appropriate for the occasion.

Rev. Warner is in addition to being a minister also a former newspaper man and has just recently given up his work as a linotype operator in Illinois, and is enjoying a fine outing now in visiting over the country with the relatives.

There was forty-one present at the dinner and reunion and those from out of Cass county at the event were Rev. George Warner of Arkansas, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Warner of Lincoln, Edward Northway of Omaha, Miss Marjorie Joyce of Weeping Water.

Refuse Bail to Local Man Held at Tipton, Iowa

Parties Arrested at Lawden, Removed to Cedar Rapids Through Fear of Liberation

Lewis Earl and Herbert Swanson, of Omaha, who were arrested at Lawden, Iowa, on May 5th, charged with the illegal transportation of liquor, are now being held at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, to which place they were removed on the request of County Attorney Marion C. Hamiel of Tipton fearing an attempt would be made to liberate the men from the Cedar county jail at Tipton.

When the two men were arraigned last week at Tipton the bond was fixed at \$1,500 each. Donald A. Rothrock, Council Bluffs attorney, appeared Saturday with the bonds which County Attorney Hamiel and the justice of the peace hearing the case refused to accept. They refused to release the men and on the orders of the county attorney the men were sent on to Cedar Rapids.

County Attorney Hamiel of Cedar county stated that Attorney Rothrock had told him he represented "higher ups" at Omaha in providing bonds for the men whom he is thought were general employes of other men located in Chicago and Omaha.

Both Earl and Swanson are being held for the action of the grand jury in Cedar county in which the parties were arrested and their car containing some fifty gallons of alcohol.

ATTEND FAMILY REUNION

Mrs. Glen Vallery and daughters, Helen, Marie and Gertrude, motored to Elmwood Sunday where they visited at the home of Mrs. Vallery's sister, Mrs. V. V. Parish and family and to take part in a family reunion in which there were present all of the members of the Parish family. The reunion was arranged in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Parish of York and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Parish of Peru.

Cass County Farmers Secure a High Rating

Survey of State Shows This County One of Highest in Rank in State on Income.

Nebraska farmers netted from \$1,300 to \$3,400 last year, with skillful groups averaging as high as \$7,700.

This one gathers from summaries prepared by Ralph Cole of the agricultural college. Three hundred and twenty-six farmers' told Mr. Cole what they made during the season and how they made it.

Whether their profits were less than the year before cannot be determined exactly. For one thing, only 212 producers reported in 1927, and there was a difference, too, in the individuals. For another, Mr. Cole has not compiled state averages this time because of the fact that the state as a whole is not susceptible to averages.

"One can't very well say for instance, that the average Nebraska farm is 500 acres in extent simply because western ranches contain 500 acres and eastern farms 100 acres," Cole says.

In districts where the records of individual counties were made up for two years and compared, varying results were obtained. Cass county operators apparently made more money than the season before. Fillmore county men reported little change in profits, and those in Phelps county made less.

Farmers who go to the trouble of keeping exact records for a whole year usually are of the progressive type, says Mr. Cole. The profits they report, therefore, may be a bit high for agriculture as a whole. And even among them, some individuals failed to keep out of the red.

To generalize his statistics Mr. Cole divided the state into several great regions. There will be made more scientific hereafter on the basis of crops planted, weather and soil. A map covering these factors is being worked out now with the aid of seven agriculturalists reporting made an average income for their own labor and for the farm itself of \$1,316. The six lowest actually were in the red \$2,098, while the six highest made \$5,148 apiece.

Though the "superior" farmers in south central Nebraska did not make more than those in the two regions just named, their general average was better. The thirty-one reporting had an average of \$2,625; the eight high ones made \$4,734 apiece, and the eight low ones made only \$615 to the good. Counties included in this region are Nuckolls, Clay, Fillmore, Adams, Franklin, York, Hamilton and Phelps.

Higher in Southeast.
Down in southeastern Nebraska, the average is still higher, but the low group of farmers scarcely broke even. This district includes Saunders, Lancaster, Steward, Saline, Jefferson, Johnson, Otoe, Cass and Nemaha counties. The high twelve made \$7,047 and the average ones netted \$3,443 each.

Out west where the profits loom larger. Thirteen farmers in Perkins, Garden, Cheyenne, Deuel, Morrill and Scottsbluff counties said they averaged \$4,951 apiece, while the high five made it \$7,776 and even the low five netted \$2,664 each.

As a rule, Mr. Cole found, the big money farm was a big producer of corn. Its acreage was larger and greater. Each man on it cared for its crop production an acre also was more land and more livestock than those on proper farms did.

In the west, the farmers are larger than the east. They average 498 acres out there, as against 172 in Cass county, one of the thriftiest of eastern counties.

William Woolcott, who was in attendance at the Knights of Columbus state convention at Beatrice the past few days, returned home this morning and reports a very fine meeting and most hospitable treatment by the residents of the Gage county city.

DOING VERY WELL

From Wednesday's Daily—
The many friends of Waldemar Soennichsen will be pleased to learn that this popular young man is holding his own very nicely in his very severe case of pneumonia from which he has been suffering since Friday night. The patient has been able to withstand the ravages of the malady in very good shape and should reach the crisis of his case today and then make definite change for the better should be looked for. The host of friends are hopeful that the next few days may show a change for the better in the condition of Mr. Soennichsen and lead to his recovery.

Mills County Planning Road to New Bridge

Glenwood Citizens Hear Address on Subject of Adequate Roadway From Senator Darting

The residents of Mills county, our Iowa neighbors, are becoming well interested in the proposition of the construction of a highway from the new traffic bridge over the Missouri which is to be opened this fall, to the main highways on the east side of the river both east and west and the north and south primary roads.

The Glenwood Chamber of Commerce at their meeting this week had the proposition up for consideration and took the stand favoring the issuance of additional highway bonds to care for some pieces of work yet incomplete and as well as highway from the new bridge to the paved roads at Glenwood, the bonds to care for the surfacing of the roads now incomplete as well as the roadway that will lead to the bridge.

Hon. H. A. Darting, of Glenwood, member of the state highway commission of Iowa, was the main speaker and gave an unofficial discussion of the road question, not pledging the commission to any plan but giving his personal opinion and observations as to the location and need of the roadways.

Mr. Darting stated that the commission had not definitely determined on a course for the bridge highway, but in an unofficial capacity he was of the opinion that the best route would follow the line of the present road from Glenwood to Pacific Junction, while to the bridge a route would be determined with an idea of economy of construction which would mean that the commission would consider the shortest possible route with the least amount of grading.

He thought, the speaker stated, that engineers would be on the ground in the next two weeks and make a survey of possible routes and which the commission of the state would use in the making of their final plans for the road construction. In the road construction the commission would be able to get the grading done by the time the bridge is open, but there are no funds available for surfacing the road and Mr. Darting approached the subject of the issuance of bonds for this surfacing as well as to complete other road work in Mills county.

DEATH OF OLD RESIDENT

The community of Weeping Water was called upon to mourn the loss of one of the old and highly respected residents there this week when Thomas Crozier, aged seventy-nine, was called to the last reward at his home in that city, the death coming suddenly as Mr. Crozier had apparently been in very good health up to a few moments of his death.

Mr. Crozier had been down in the business part of the city on Friday and on his return home had felt very good for one of his advanced age and apparently had enjoyed the trip out and during the next few days showed no signs of any serious condition, but on Monday toward evening he was taken with a very severe pain while he was sitting in his favorite chair at home and was assisted to the bed by his wife, who was then in the room. A few moments had passed peacefully away. The suddenness of the death came as a great shock to the relatives and friends in his home community where he has so long resided.

Thomas Crozier was born in Alleghany county, Pennsylvania, on August 3, 1850. During his young manhood he came west, settling at Iowa Point, Kansas, where he remained for a great many years and was engaged in farming a greater part of the time. It was while residing in Kansas that Mr. Crozier was married at Baker, to Miss Joan Bartholomew, who survives the passing of the husband. He leaves to mourn his death besides the wife, four children, John Crozier of Weeping Water, Will Crozier of Des Moines, Henry A. Crozier of Weeping Water, and Mrs. Alice Fabrinbacker of Brule, Nebraska. The Crozier family came to Weeping Water in 1883 and have since made their home in that locality, and for a period of some ten years was engaged in business in the city and has always been one of the active and prominent men of the community. Mr. and Mrs. Crozier have been members for many years of the Unitarian church, being very devout in their religious life and worthy examples of the teachings of their faith.

The funeral was held this afternoon from the late home and the interment made at the beautiful Oakwood cemetery.

INSTALL NEW FEATURE

The local station of the Standard Oil company have installed a new feature that will be much appreciated by the traveling public, this being a weekly bulletin of the road conditions in the state and which is posted in a prominent place in the station in the for the use of those who are traveling and are anxious to learn of the condition of the highways.

The state also has a new ladies rest room arranged which will be an added comfort to the auto traveling public that may visit this station, on their tours.

Read the Journal Want Ads.

Commencement Exercises on Friday Evening

Class of 1929 Will Soon Bid Farewell to the School Days in Old P. H. S.

The days of the school career of the members of the class of 1929 of the Plattsmouth high school are now measured in hours instead of weeks and days as the commencement exercises of the school will be held on Friday evening of this week at 8 o'clock.

The exercises are to start promptly at the hour of admission to the relatives of the students permitting them to secure admission at 7:15 while the doors will be open to the general public at 7:45.

The program of the evening has been completed except that of the awarding of the two ranking students who will deliver the salutatory and the valedictory of the class. The program will be as follows:

Invocation—Rev. O. G. Wichmann, Presiding—Supt. R. E. Bailey, Flute Solo, "Chont du Soir" by Kohler—Catherine McClusky, Salutatory.

Address—Dr. Frank G. Smith, Contralto Solo, "Moon Behind the Cottonwood," by Cadman—Leona Hudson.

Presentation of D. A. R. American History Prize—Mrs. Pearl Mann.

Announcement of Scholarships—Supt. R. E. Bailey. Presentation of Class—Principal J. V. Simon. Presentation of Diplomas—Dr. F. L. Cummins.

Selection—Senior Boys. Benediction—Rev. Wichmann. The class roll comprises the following:

Mary Adam, Harold Albert, Bernice Ann, Dorothy Brink, Chris Bullin, Eugene Bushnell, Helen Byers, Robert Fitch, Jean Fitch, Lloyd Frady, Richard Friedrich, Alice Funk, Albert Griffin, Robert Hadra, Joe Hartford, Wilhelmina Henriksen, Richard Herold, Sophie Hofaker, Leona Hudson, Margaret Iverson, Hilda Johnson, Joe Knodtke, Lyle Lawton, Paul Lemke, Teresa Libbert, Leonard Lutz, Lloyd McClanahan, Catherine McClusky, Isabelle Malley, Irma Mayfield, Mamie Mendenhall, Tom Mendenhall, Hamilton Meisinger, William Mrasek, Charles Miller, Charles Nelson, Florence Newton, Herbert Patterson, Christine Reinacke, Charles Rietz, Thelma Rhoden, Claire Shellenbarger, Laura Skalak, Janet Snyder, Otto Soennichsen, Homer Spangler, Charles Sporer, Fern Stivers, Helen Stout, Thomas Svoboda, Ruby Taylor, John Teepell, Dorothy Tompkins, Floyd Yelick, Edward Yelick, Doris Young.

Just a few of the Cass county maps left. While they last, 50c each.