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Census Taking Will Start in State Soon

On April First the Counting of Residents of the State Will Be Undertaken

From Thursday's Daily—

This morning Harley O. Parsons, supervisor of the U. S. census for the counties of Lancaster, Cass, Sarpy and Otoe, arrived in the city to look after the arrangements for the taking of the census in this county and will visit the several towns and the prospective census takers in order to get lined up on the work which will be carried out in the month of April.

The taking of the census is an important matter to every community and particularly to Nebraska as the state has the prospect of losing a congressman unless the coming census reveals a larger population than the last census.

In the taking of the census the enumerators should receive the hearty co-operation of all civic bodies and the citizens at large in getting the data needed to carry out the work of the complete census. Every man, woman and child should be listed and the government is also taking a check of the unemployment situation in all parts of the country as a part of the census of the inhabitants.

The information that is gathered as to the residents is confidential and the information is used only in determining the general condition of the country and the number of inhabitants in each state, city and towns and counties over our land.

Mr. Parsons states that families that are expecting to be absent from their places of residence during the month of April can aid in the work by sending for the necessary blanks to room 421 Federal building, Lincoln, and filling these out can have their families counted in the census this year.

In the giving in of the returns every member of the family should be counted and the information given to the census enumerator when they call at the homes or business houses over the city.

The government is making an effort to have a real census taken this year instead of the careless way in which the last census was taken and where many were omitted from the census rolls.

When the census enumerators come around give them your assistance in fixing the returns and see that the community has a real check of the number of inhabitants as it is important to cities and towns as to the exact number of inhabitants as it fixes the application of many of the laws.

MAIL CARRIER ATTACKED

From Thursday's Daily—

While Theodore Ptak, one of the city mail carriers, was engaged in going over his route on the north side, he suffered severe injuries as the result of an attack from two vicious dogs at one of the places on his route. The attack occurred at one of the residences near Fourteenth and Vine streets, there being two dogs tied on the porch at the time the mail carrier came along and as he came up to place the mail in the box for the occupants of the house, one of the dogs proceeded to leap on him and lacerated his left hand in several places and the other dog inflicted several bites in the right leg and which have proven very annoying. The wounds were given attention by a physician and it is not thought that they will prove dangerous, but the animals will be kept under observation to learn whether they develope any dangerous signs.

LITTLE DAUGHTER ARRIVES

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Meisinger who reside east of Murray, are rejoicing over the fact that a fine little daughter has come to share the happiness of their home in the future and the little one has brought a great deal of happiness in the large family circle of which she is a member. The little lady is granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Howard, the mother having been formerly Miss Mable Howard, and of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Meisinger, prominent residents of this portion of Cass county.

The advent of little Miss Meisinger makes the first great grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Warner and Mrs. Martha Wetenkamp of this city.

In the happy occasion the parents will receive the well wishes of the many friends in the community.

FEELING SOME BETTER

The host of friends here of A. W. White, pioneer resident of this city, will be pleased to learn that Mr. White is doing very nicely at the Immanuel hospital at Omaha where he has been for the past two weeks taking treatments and under observation. Mr. White is feeling much improved altho he is kept inactive while under treatment and misses very much the associates and friends in the old home community where he has resided continuously for the past seventy-two years.

WILL SERVE AS CARETAKER

The board of governors of the Plattsmouth country club who have been searching for a person to take charge of the club house and exercise a general management over the property, have been very fortunate in securing for this important task, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Cloidt. Mr. Cloidt, who is one of the live wires in the golf club decided to help out the board in their long search for some dependable party to take over the club and its management and accordingly the Cloidt family is planning on moving to the club house to make their home in the near future.

New Candidate Files in the Second District

August H. Oehlerking of Center Precinct Seeks to Secure Nomination for Commissioner

The race for the republican nomination for county commissioner in the second district was added to Wednesday afternoon when August H. Oehlerking, one of the prominent residents of the west portion of Center precinct, filed his name at the office of County Clerk George R. Sayles.

Mr. Oehlerking is a native born son of Cass county and was born within a mile and a half of where he is now making his home. His parents were among the earliest residents in that section of Cass county and the family has been long active in the life of that community. Mr. Oehlerking is a farmer and one who takes a great interest in the affairs of the community and feels that he is well capable of representing the people of his district on the board of commissioners.

There is expected to be several other candidates on the republican ticket for this office from various parts of the district, altho the only filing beside that of Mr. Oehlerking is that of P. A. Jacobson of Louisville on the republican ticket, and E. B. Chapman of Union, democrat.

HONOR ORGANIST

From Thursday's Daily—

Yesterday 25 years had passed since Miss Amelia Martens was first elected as organist in St. Paul's church of this city. It was the annual meeting of the congregation in which at the same time Rev. Langhorst was elected pastor of the congregation. Since then the minutes of every annual meting of the congregation record the election of Miss Martens as organist of the church. Since her duties at school sometimes make it impossible for her to play, there has always been an assistant elected.

The congregation celebrated this anniversary yesterday in the weekly lenten services. The pastor of the church related the facts of her annual election in his sermon and congratulated the congregation for having such a faithful organist who never failed to play summer and winter, and appeared week days and Sundays whenever called to play, to do her duty.

After the pastor was finished Miss Martens was called to the front, a hymn of praise was sung and Mr. Mike Hild in behalf of the congregation, after a short eloquent speech presented Miss Martens with a beautiful necklace, the present of the congregation for this occasion, as well as a handsome boquet of flowers.

Then there was a reception for Miss Martens, the whole congregation passing by her and shaking hands with her. A few members were inevitably absent and also in behalf of them the pastor brought greetings. Later refreshments were served in the basement.

MARRIED AT OMAHA

The wedding of two of the popular residents of the community near this city occurred on Tuesday afternoon at the office of the county judge at Omaha, when Miss Marche Siemoneit and Mr. Carl Polschies were united in the bonds of wedlock.

The newlyweds have returned to their homes here and will will make their home in the future on the farm a few miles west of this city that the groom has secured and on which they will move at once.

Both of the contracting parties have come to this community from their old homes in Germany and are fine young people who will be pleasing additions to the life of this community. The bride is a sister of August and Emil Siemoneit of near this city and with whom she has made her home since coming here.

SUFFERS BROKEN ARM

Jean, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Woodward, is suffering from the effects of a fracture of the arm which she sustained Tuesday evening while playing at home. The little one is doing as well as possible in view of the painful injury.

County-Wide Dairy Meeting Here Tuesday

Meeting Will Be Held at 7:45 at the American Legion Community Building.

Arrangements are being made by County Agent D. D. Wainscott for a county wide dairy meeting to be held on Tuesday evening, March 18 at 7:45 at the American Legion Community building.

This meeting will be one of the greatest of importance to the farmers of the county and will be of special interest to the members of the 4-H Calf clubs or young people that are interested in the formation of such clubs in this community.

The agricultural committee of the Chamber of Commerce of which T. H. Pollock is the chairman, is interested in seeing that all boys and girls who are interested in 4-H clubs and their formation come out and hear the fine talks that will be given on the subject of better stock and dairy products.

Fred Idtsie, field man for the American Jersey Cattle club and O. H. Liebers, manager of the Nebraska Dairy Development society, will be the speakers of the evening.

Mr. Idtsie will talk largely on Better Sires and 4-H Calf Clubs and subjects that are of general interest regardless of the breed of cow that may be on the farm.

There will be motion pictures and slides of dairy work and the activities of the 4-H clubs in this state.

All those interested in dairying and the youngsters who may be engaged or expect to be in club work should by all means come in and enjoy this fine meeting.

BARN BURNED DOWN ON THE HOLLENBECK FARM FRIDAY

Last Friday afternoon about three o'clock the barn on the Hollenbeck farm northwest of Elmwood burned to the ground and also a hog house. Mr. Plymale, who lives on the farm had gotten a wagon load of corn ground and returned home with it and put it in the barn, unhitching the team and putting them in the barn to feed. He then went to the house for dinner. A short while after this the barn was noticed to be on fire. Mr. Plymale hastened to the barn and with great difficulty was able to get his fine team of horses out but only at great risk and had his face and hands burned in doing this. An atempt was made to get the wagon load of ground grain out but the wheels of the wagon cramped and the fire was getting so hot that it could not be gotten out. The hog house together with a sow and pigs was burned and two salves were burned. The corn crib which was full of corn and other grain was burning on the north side but the chemical truck from Alvo arrived and the fire extinguished on the crib. The fire could not have been put out without the assistance of the Alvo truck, and this demonstrated that a good chemical truck is a fine thing in fighting fires. It was thought at first that the fire would spread to the house and some household effects were removed. People had come from a good many miles to help. It was not known how the fire originated. The property damage was covered partially by insurance.—Elmwood Leader-Echo.

WILL CONDUCT TOUR

Miss Marie Kaufmann, supervisor of penmanship and art in the local city schools, is to be in charge of a specially arranged tour of Europe which will be taken under the auspices of the Amerop Travel Service Inc.

The tour will include seven countries, France, Switzerland, Holland, Germany, Italy, Austria and England, taking the members of the party to the places of greatest interest both historical and scenic.

The party will be under the guidance of Miss Kaufmann personally and whose extensive travels in the old world has well fitted her for the work of guiding the sightseers over the many places of interest in the countries that are visited.

The excusion will sail on June 11th from Quebec on the Empress of Australia and will arrive at Cherbourg, France, on the 18th of June and the tour will cover thirty days, the party embarking for home at South Hampton on July 19th.

QUEEN ESTHERS MEET

From Friday's Daily—

The Queen Esthers of the Methodist church held a very delightful meeting last evening at the home of Miss Florence Nelson on Rock street and with a fine group of the ladies in attendance at the event.

The devotional period was led by Miss Dorothy Persinger while the lesson was in charge of Mrs. Roy Perkins.

At the close of the evening dainty refreshments were served and in which the St. Patrick's day idea was carried out in the color scheme.

PICTURES OF DEBATORS

From Thursday's Daily—

The Omaha Bee-News and the Nebraska State Journal today had portraits of the members of the Plattsmouth debating team, showing the likness of the three young men and one lady who have made history in the debates for the local school, as well as R. Foster Patterson, the coach of the team and also high school principal.

The debating team this year have had a most successful season and have lost but two debates, both of these being in the district contest where they lost to Blair and Fremont, altho earlier in the season they had scored a triumph over Blair.

The team comprises Robert R. Livingston, Gerald Sperry, Miss Mary Swatek and Charles Nowacek, and who in the past two years have been under the coaching of R. Foster Patterson, principal, who has made a splendid success of his work.

Elect New Head for Methodist Sunday School

Joseph A. Capwell Named as Superintendent at Meeting of Official Board

From Thursday's Daily—

The official board of the Methodist church met last night at the church to take up the matter of the selecting of a superintendent of the Sunday school to take the place of Judge A. H. Duxbury, who has been the superintendent of the school for the past nine years, but who at the election of officers in January announced the fact that he would not accept another term in the position owing to the press of other interests and the long years that he had given to the service of the church.

The members of the Sunday school have parted very regretfully with the services of Judge Duxbury but appreciating the long and faithful service that he has rendered decided to grant his wish and accordingly named Joseph A. Capwell, local attorney, who has been a hard worker in the Sunday school, to the position of superintendent.

Mr. Capwell has been a member of the church since his childhood and had always taken a great interest in the Sunday school work and since locating in this city has been very active in the Sunday school affairs and served as the assistant superintendent of the school and proven a real leader in this line of work.

Seniors Win High School Tournament

Upper Classmen Turn Back Juniors by the Score of 19 to 13 Last Evening

The interclass basketball tournament that has been in progress at the high school for the past two days ended Thursday afternoon when the senior asserted their superiority on the court and captured the coveted cup offered as the prize, winning from the juniors by the score of 19 to 13.

The going was not all roses for the seniors, however, as the juniors battled hard to try and capture the honors of the tourney and had in their ranks a large array of the regular team, Wiles, Hartford, Galloway, McCleary and McCrary representing the first string men for the juniors.

The seniors had Captain Roy Turner as their star offering with Chet Lund, as a great aid in the basket shooting and Hershel Dew and Ira Mumm of the regular first string also to back up their offensive. The seniors also had the services of Warren Farmer who proved a real rock in the defense against the juniors and whose services aided greatly in the senior victory.

For the seniors Lund was high point man with three field goals, Turner following with two field goals and a free toss while Dew secured a field goal and Farmer and Mumm one each.

The Juniors had their scoring well divided as McCrary was high with two baskets and Galloway, Wiles and Hartford one each and each of these secured a free toss.

The game created much enthusiasm in the school circles and every class had a large representation on the side lines to cheer on the contenders. The games were handled by Carl Schneider and Bob Fitch as referees.

The consolation honors of the tournament were awarded to the Sophomores as they placed the freshmen out of the running by the score of 28 to 8 in a contest that showed some good work on the part of the future Platters.

School tablets at prices the lowest that you have seen at the Bates Book & Gift shop, 3c each or 35c for a whole dozen.

Iowa People Pleased with New Bridge

Structure Here Makes for a More Direct Route to the West for the Traveler

From Friday's Daily—

The Plattsmouth representatives who were in attendance at the meeting of the Harding highway association yesterday at Ottumwa, Iowa, found a very pleasing sentiment from the representatives all along the line of highway No. 34, in favor of the new highway to the west afforded by the bridging of the Missouri river at this place.

The meeting took no definite action on the changing of the route of the Harding highway that now swings south from Red Oak into Shenandoah, Iowa, but as the permanent highway No. 34 is running on into Glenwood, our neighboring city, it is an easy matter for the traveler to hit the more direct route to the east and west by coming to this city over the new bridge as the surfaced highway that is built by Mills county runs to the bridge to be joined here by the graveled road into Plattsmouth.

In recent years the names of the King of Trail, Washington highway, Central route and other designated highways have largely gone into the waste basket as the road projects have brought the numbering of the various routes and to which they are known as highway No. 75 or 34 as the case may be, followed on the road maps by this designation.

The improvement of highway No. 34 in Iowa makes it one of the best highway systems in that state and affords a straight and speedy route to Chicago with paving all of the way from the Missouri river practically into Chicago.

The traveler to the west through this city can find three routes that will give them a speedy route to the west and to Lincoln, the capitol city of the state, as well as a few moments drive to Omaha over a surfaced highway that in a few months will be completely paved.

HAS CAR DAMAGED

From Friday's Daily—

Last evening while R. W. Knorr was driving home from a business trip to Villisca, Iowa, where he has a store, he was unfortunate enough to bze involved in an auto accident that damaged his car to a greater or less extent and made necessary leaving the car at Red Oak, Iowa, for repairs. Mr. Knorr was coming home and nine miles east of Red Oak saw a car approaching from the west and whic hwas on the wrong side of the road. Mr. Knorr continued on until the oncoming car seemed certain to crash headon into his car and he then swung out to avoid the collision and at the same time the lady driving the other car, swung into the intersecting road and crashed into the rear and right side of Mr. Knorr's car, tearing off the fender and the hub cap as well as damaging the car so that the driver was unable to get on into Red Oak and had to be towed there. The driver of the other car continued on her way without stopping.

Q. Z. SOCIETY ELECTS

The Q. Z. society of the Presbyterian church held a very interesting meeting this week at the home of Mrs. Paul H. Wohlfarth and at which time the matter of the election of the officers for the ensuing year was taken up with the result that the following were selected:

President—Mrs. James Bulin.
Vice-President—Mrs. J. H. Palacek.
Secretary—Mrs. R. J. Larson.
Treasurer—Mrs. R. W. Knorr.

After the discussion of the business of the society the members were treated to a most delicious luncheon that had been prepared by the hostess and which completed a very enjoyable occasion.

STILL FEELING POORLY

From Saturday's Daily—

James M. Robertson, one of our distinguished citizens and one of the prominent Masons of the state, has been confined to his home for the past week as he has not been so well and while not bedfast he has been unable to be out as usual and looking after his activities. Mr. Robertson's many friends will regret to learn of his indisposition and trust that he may soon be able to regain his health sufficient to be around as usual.

ADDS NEW IMPROVEMENT

The A. G. Bach store on Main street has added to their equipment by the installing of a fine refrigerator show case that will be used in the handling of the fresh vegetables and the line of meats that are handled in the store. The new show cases was placed in the first of the week and a number of other changes have been made in the arrangements of the store that adds to the convenience of the popular business house.

ELKS VISIT AT OMAHA

From Saturday's Daily—

Last evening a number of the members of the local lodge of the Elks visited at Omaha and were the guests of the Omaha lodge at the initiation held at the Elks club and where the occasion was made notable by the conferring of the two degrees, the last of the winter season. The members from this city enjoyed the occasion very much and the social feature that marked the event. Short talks were given by the officers and past exalted rulers of the lodge from this city following the initiation.

Trade and Fashion Show Set for April

Popular Exposition of the Merchants of the City to Be Held at Legion Building

Through the joint efforts of the local post of the American Legion and the retail section of the Chamber of Commerce, another of the popular and interesting Merchants Trade and Fashion Shows will be held at the American Legion community building in this city on April 23 to 26th inclusive.

The retail section at their meeting yesterday named a committee that will co-operate with the Legion committee in getting the big event under way and seeing that it is made one of the most interesting events of its kind held in the city. This committee will be composed of Walter Gabriel, of the Iowa-Nebraska Light & Power Co.; Fred P. Busch of the Ladies Toggery and Carl P. Ofe of the Ofe Oil Co.

The two organizations are planning on making the 1930 show a greater success than that of the past year altho that will be quite a task as the show the last year was a real feature both in the fine showings made by the merchants and also in the line of entertainment that was prepared for the auditors.

These shows enables merchants to make showings of their lines and better still, the opportunity to come in closer touch with the residents of the community in a social way and enjoy the evenings in visiting with the public as wel las their fellow merchants.

The committees are getting busy at once on the work of outlining the plans for the show and are making every effort to secure a fine array of talent to be featured in the big yearly exposition of the business interests of the city.

FARM HOME BURNED

From Friday's Daily—

This morning at 7 o'clock the farm home of Walter Gouchenour, located on the island in the Missouri river some five miles southeast of this city, was discovered to be on fire and in a short time the house was reduced to ruins.

The fire started in the attic of the house and when it was discovered had gained such headway that there was little chance to checking it and it was only with difficulty that the neighbors were able to get the furniture out of the rooms on the lower floor of the house.

It is supposed that the fire started as the result of a defective flue and the loss will be partially covered by insurance.

MASONS LEAVE FOR ST. JOSEPH

From Saturday's Daily—

This morning at 7 o'clock a large party of the officers of Nebraska Chapter No. 3, Royal Arch Masons and a number of their ladies, departed by auto for St. Joseph, Missouri, where representing the Nebraska grand chapter, they are to take part in the conferring of the degree work. The work presented at the request of the Missouri grand chapter, opened at 2 o'clock and will be given before a very large gathering of the Royal Arch members from Missouri, Iowa and Nebraska. Hon. Lewis E. Smith of Omaha, grand secretary, came down from Omaha and accompanied the Plattsmouth delegation to St. Joseph.

RETURNS FROM DENVER

From Saturday's Daily—

Edward Fullerton, who has been at the Fitzsimmons hospital at Denver for the past several weeks taking treatment as the result of an attack of tuberculosis, returned home yesterday accompanied by Mrs. Fullerton and a nurse and physician. Mr. Fullerton's case has been very severe and his condition is quite serious. He stood the trip nicely and is now at Nebraska City where Mrs. Fullerton has been for some time.

POSTMASTER JOBS SOLD, SAYS BLEASE

Washington, March 14.—The assertion that postmasterships were being sold by republican officials in South Carolina with the knowledge of Postmaster General Brown, was made in the senate today by Senator Blease (D.), South Carolina.

Work on Louisville Road Making Fine Progress

Highway From This City to Louisville Being Fast Developed Into Surfaced Road

The long desired and hoped for surfaced highway from this city to Louisville is fast being realized by the joint efforts of the residents of the territory traversed by the road and the nearby farmers, the residents of this city and members of the Chember of Commerce and the county commissioners and will soon be an all surfaced highway all of the way. At the present time the greater part of the roadway is graveled and makes a real road.

In the graveling program in Eight Mile Grove precinct, Commissioner Farley has aided in the work very much in seeing that a real highway is provided, as he has had the hill near the Spreick place on the west portion of Eight Mile Grove, graded down and a large fill made at the foot of the hill that widens out the highway in the proper manner and adequate to the present heavy travel over that road.

In Plattsmouth precinct there are several places along the road that will have to be graded up some and also a few places to widen and which will be taken up at once as the road outfits are now completed at the Spreick hill where they completed their tasks yesterday afternoon.

It is expected to do some filling near the Luke L. Wiles place just out of the city and also farther west on the road several small fills will be necessary and which will be attended to at once.

The new road will be a great accommodation to the residents of the north part of the county and especially as the secondary road systems are bringing the side roads into being a part of the general surfaced roadways of the county.

OMAHA DECISION IS UPHELD

Kansas City—In a ruling signed here Friday by Judge Kimbrough Stone, presiding judge of the circuit court of appeals, a recent devision of Federal Judge Woodrough of Omaha, in connection with bankruptcy proceedings of the Peters Trust company there, was upheld.

In approving Judge Woodrough's decision that the appointment of a federal receiver for the defunct institution be allowed, the circuit court arbiters decided against the state of Nebraska, which had appealed from Omaha federal ruling. Attorney General Sorensen of Nebraska had asked the higher court to forbid appointment of the federal received and authorize the state department of trade and commerce to take over assets of the failed financial house.

The Peters Trust company filed a petition in volunatry bankruptcy on Dec. 10, 1929, but a completed schedule of assets recently formulated by the federal receiver at Omaha showed that assets of the company, listed at $1,842,656.07, are more than double the liabilities. It is virtually assured that all creditors will be paid in full, with a substantial amount left over for stockholders.

LONG TIME READER

From Saturday's Daily—

This afternoon Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Meisinger of Cedar Creek were in the city and while here Mr. Meisinger was a caller at the Journal office. It was just fifteen years ago today that Mr. Meisinger enrolled as a Journal reader and the paper has since been coming to their home and adding to the interest of their household. The Journal has a long list of old time readers and among these the Meisinger family has a very large representation in this section of Cass county.

VERY HAPPY EVENT

Thursday afternoon at the St. Mary's hospital at Nebraska City, a fine son and heir was born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Tritsch of near this city. The mother and little one are doing nicely and the occasion has brought the greatest happiness to the proud father and the other relatives of the little one. Mrs. Tritsch was formerly Miss Thelma Kroehler of this city, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Kroehler and who are sharing the joy and happiness that the advent of the little one has occasioned.

KEARNEY MAN ELECTED

Omaha—County Treasurers' association Thursday elected J. J. Shambaugh, Kearney, president, Charles L. Kelly, Nebraska Citp, vice president; Clyde B. Dean, Fullerton, secretary and Clay Thomas, Geneva, treasurer. Clarence S. Marcy, Sheridan county is the retiring president.

Wonderful opportunity for money saving, school tablets at 3c each, or 35c a dozen. At the Bates Book & Gift shop.